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**DEMOCRATS WARNED THAT THEIR
PARTY WILL BE WIPED OUT IF THEY
PASS TAX BILL IN PRESENT FORM**

Washington, Dec. 23.—Warning the Democrats that "they will be wiped out of the map" if the revenue bill is passed in its present form, Senator Kenyon, Iowa, progressive Republican today bitterly attacked the finance committee for eliminating many of the luxury taxes, as provided in the house bill.

"You've been thrashed completely," said Kenyon, referring to the election, "and when you do this you'll be wiping out and reducing luxury taxes he wiped off the map."

Kenyon said that instead of cutting down taxes, the finance committee would increase them.

"Do you want to send word through the country that we are protecting big business and levying taxes on those least able to bear them?" he asked.

"When we are taxing about everything under the sun except the air we breathe, the taxes on luxuries are dropped," he said.

Senator Johnson, California, another progressive Republican, declared that \$2,000,000,000 taxes had been lost by not levying an 80 per cent tax on war profits in the 1917 bill.

Johnson insisted that we had been far more tender toward the big business than was England where a straight 80 per cent war tax was paid.

**W. R. BAKER, PROMINENT XENIA
CITIZEN, DIES MONDAY IN FLORIDA**

William Raper Baker, former auditor of Greene county, a leading citizen and one time prominent business man of Xenia, died Monday forenoon at his summer home in Daytona, Fla.

His death was unexpected by relatives here. He had been in ill health for some time, but when he and Mrs. Baker went to their southern home a month ago, it was hoped that the climate at Daytona, would have the effect of helping him to resist the malady from which he was suffering. This it failed to do, and he grew worse. Mrs. Baker was at the bedside of her husband and telegraphed home, the news of his death.

Mr. Baker was a native of Greene county. He was born in Silvercreek township, one mile west of Jamestown, August 31, 1841, and was the son of John W. and Elizabeth Towell Baker.

When the Civil War broke out, he was a lad of twenty years, and he enlisted in the service, early in the conflict. In October 1861 he became a member of Company A, Seventy-fourth Regiment, O. V. I., and served with that command for three years. He was given his honorable discharge at the end of that time, and his younger brother, Samuel, took his place in the company. During the period of his service, Mr. Baker was attached to the Army of the Cumberland, Fourteenth Army Corps, Second Division and Third Brigade. He was an orderly at division headquarters when he was mustered out. He participated in many of the notable battles of the war and completed his active service, as an ambulance driver.

After returning home, Mr. Baker became a clerk in the retail grocery business conducted by the late H. H. Eavey, and two years later, in 1869 he bought a half interest in the business. Soon afterward the business was reorganized, Mr. Baker's brother-in-law, the late W. B. Harrison, buying his partner's interest. The firm then became Baker, Harrison and Company. Mr. Baker continued in this mercantile business until the fall of 1883, when he was elected to the office of county auditor.

Through successive re-elections, Mr. Baker was retained in office without opposition until 1896, when he refused to again become the candidate for his party, and retired from office. After leaving public life, he engaged for four years, in prospecting in the Scioto oil fields, but since that time has been living a retired life, giving his attention chiefly to the management of his farm in this county.

Mr. Baker was twice married. His first wife was Miss Anna Harrison, a sister of the late W. B. Harrison, whom he married March 1, 1876. To that union were born the two daughters, who survive their father, Mrs. Florence Baker Wickham, wife of Frank Wickham of Denver, Colo., and Mrs. Jessie Baker Chew, wife of James A. Chew, of this city.

The mother of his daughters died in October 1892 and September 12, 1905. Mr. Baker married Mrs. Agnes G. Harrison of this city, who survives him.

Mr. Baker was a member of the Church of Christ (Scientist) and he was prominently identified with the Masonic Order. Mrs. Baker will start for the north immediately, with the body of her husband, which will be brought here for interment.

**RED CROSS DRIVE
IS LAGGING IN
CITY OF XENIA**

The Red Cross drive for members is lagging in Xenia city and in a number of the towns of the county. Yellow Springs is keeping up her previous splendid record by doubling her membership. Miami township as a whole has exceeded the membership secured last year. Other townships which have thus far exceeded last year's membership are Silvercreek, Beaver Creek and New Jasper. The most of the others are lagging behind and the solicitors will have to get busy if the county is to do its duty in this great movement.

The total number of members reported to date in the county is only 3,140. This is only a little more than half the number secured in 1917 and is less than a fourth the number which should be secured this year. Xenia city to date has reported less than a thousand members.

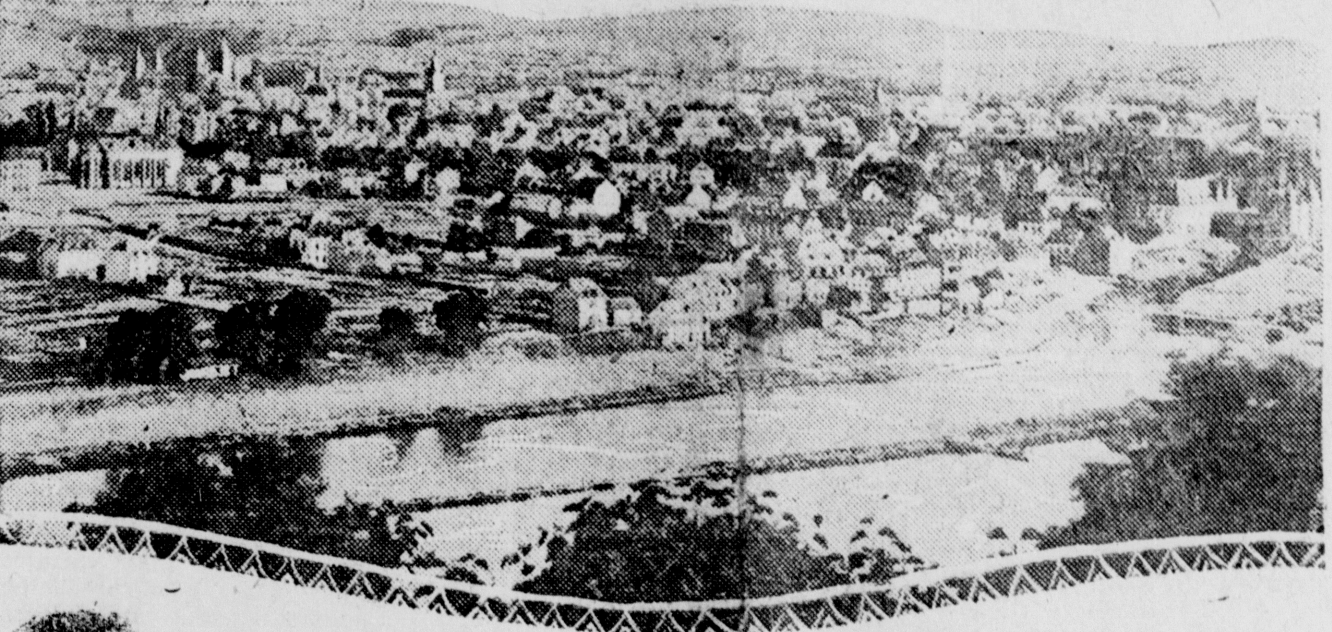
It is up to the solicitors to get busy. The people of Xenia and of Greene county are willing to join this great organization but their membership will have to be solicited. While there are some who will hunt up the solicitors and enroll themselves as members the great majority will wait for the solicitors to see them. Therefore the committee in charge of the drive urges all solicitors, especially those in Xenia, to put forth every effort possible to see every one and get their membership.

TURKEY BANKRUPT

Berlin, Dec. 22.—(Delayed)—Turkey will declare itself nationally bankrupt, according to a report received here today.

SALE DATES RESERVED
Dec. 27—Geo. A. Birch.
Dec. 28—S. M. Tamer.
Feb. 20—L. B. Stingley.

WHERE PRESIDENT WILL SPEND CHRISTMAS WITH THE SOLDIERS



Trèves, where Wilson will spend Christmas with American army of occupation.

President Wilson has passed up innumerable invitations to spend Christmas with kings and other notables abroad and will spend the day and eat Christmas dinner with the American soldiers in the field.

According to announced plans he will leave Paris Christmas eve and go to Trèves, the headquarters of the American army of occupation. It is made plain that Wilson will eat with the men in the ranks and not the officers. Trèves is on the east bank of the Moselle river about fifty-five miles southwest of Coblenz. It is also about eight miles east of the Luxemburg border. It is the oldest city in Germany.

**PRESIDENT WILSON WILL MAKE
SPEECHES IN ENGLAND AND ITALY**

BY ROBERT J. BENDER.

Paris, Dec. 23.—President Wilson, pursuing his policy of the freest discussion of peace covenants, will deal directly with the people of the allied countries. Thus will millions participate in the preliminary conference and make their influence felt at the Versailles congress.

To reach this vast audience, the president will make public speeches in England and Italy, it became known today, in addition to speaking through the medium of the press. He will pursue this course while conferring with the allied statesmen.

That President Wilson already is getting the ear of the allied peoples is indicated by the hundreds of letters he has received from all classes, expressing sympathy with his policies and promising him support.

During his first week in Paris, the president made three speeches and gave an interview to the press, all of which were intended for public consumption.

He has given the heartiest approval to plans for him to speak direct to the people in industrial communities, and elsewhere, in England, and to a similar program for his trip to Italy.

While in England he will also confer with British statesmen.

The president believes such a course will clarify the American position and make plain America's peace aims. He is confident that by this means he can show the people that the American program will be developed so as to assure a just peace for all.

This program, he believes, will lead quickest to such a settlement as America hopes for.

While in Italy, the president will call upon King Emmanuel and Pope Benedict, and will visit the Methodist college.

**NECESSARY AS TWO
STEERING WHEELS
ON "TIN LIZZIE"**

Columbus, Dec. 23.—Ohio's ten member board of agriculture is about as essential as two steering wheels on a Ford, said State Auditor Donahay in a scorching criticism of the way \$1,031,058 of state funds were spent for agriculture last year. A thorough probe is advocated.

"The investigation would show," Donahay says, "that enough can be saved out of the \$1,000,000 to furnish free hog serum, fungicide, insecticide and analysis of soils and minerals for all who want it. Half the money goes to pay salaries and traveling expenses."

**ACCUSED GIRL IS
GIVEN LIBERTY ALLEGED MURDERER
ENDS LIFE IN CELL**

Geneseo, N. Y., Dec. 23.—The case against Gladys Webster, 19 year old mother accused of having poisoned her father-in-law, collapsed in court here today when the District Attorney suggested that she be given her liberty.

The proceedings were brought to an end and the girl freed.

The sensational ending was fitting to the sensational nature of the charge. Mrs. Webster was accused of putting poison in milk which was given to Ford Webster, her father-in-law because of pure hatred.

Muskegon, Mich., Dec. 23.—That Milo H. Piper who Saturday night ended his life in a cell at the county jail here, where he was held on a charge of killing Miss Freda Weichman, had for some time contemplated suicide, was the belief of the authorities today.

This assumption is based by the police on the finding of a brief and somewhat cryptic note, which Coroner James P. Balbirnie announced was found pinned to the dead man's underwear. The note, which, according to the coroner, seemingly was written while Piper was in Hamilton, Ontario read as follows:

"Dear mother, father and brother: Thanks for all you have done for me. Take good care of Hilda and Chippy (Piper's wife and three-year-old son). As you or I must go, let it be so. Good by all. I am not guilty. Milo."

**MONTENEGRO AND
SERBIA TO UNITE**

Amsterdam, Dec. 13.—Union of Montenegro with Serbia has been officially proclaimed by the Montenegrin Skupschitina (parliament), a Belgrade dispatch announced today.

In response to the denial of King Nicholas that he had been dethroned, the newspaper Samou Prava publishes an official statement, declaring that the national assembly which met at Podgoritz was elected by a majority of the people.

"The former king, by his flight from the country, has flung away his crown and we have broken all relations with him," the statement said.

DOCTOR KUNO NAMED.

London, Dec. 23.—Doctor Kuno has been appointed managing director of the Hamburg-American steamship line, succeeding the late Albert Ballin, according to a Central News dispatch from Copenhagen.

UNIVERSITY MAN DEAD.

Chicago, Dec. 23.—Prof. George B. Foster, head of department of religion, Chicago University, is dead.

HAD A NICE TIME.

Columbus, Dec. 23.—Burglars entered the home of Alfred E. Jones, cut telephone wires, ate breakfast, and stole \$500 sealskin coat.

**HUN SEAMEN UNABLE
TO RESIST COIN CALL**

Amsterdam, Dec. 23.—Although Admiral Beatty, commander of the British grand fleet, refrained from requiring the delivery of the German submarine U-9, with which Commander Weddigen torpedoed and sank three British cruisers, out of consideration for the "glorious record" of his boat, says the Cologne Volks Zeitung, the submarine was delivered to the British because the German crew was unwilling to forego the opportunity of earning the 500 marks promised to each man for taking the boat to England.

**CHRISTMAS WILL
SPEND CHRISTMAS
IN THE CALABOOSE**

New York, Dec. 23.—Billy Christmas will spend the holiday playing dominoes with the Warden, or in some similar pursuit. The New York police today admitted they have under arrest the notorious swindler who has stolen thousands of dollars by means of forged travelers checks on a Canadian bank.

His arrest establishes without question the innocence of Alexander P. Macaulay, arrested after one of Billy's escapades two years ago, and who spent a fortune in trying to clear himself of the charge that he was the famous crook. Macaulay, a Toronto broker, was arrested in New York while the police were searching for the Christmas swindler, and he was positively identified as Billy Christmas.

Macaulay's release followed a re-appearance of the annual frauds. He subsequently sued several New York firms for large sums for their mistaken identification of himself.

**LANSING OFFICIALLY
DENIES THE REPORT**

Paris, Dec. 23.—Secretary Lansing today officially denied that the American peace delegation had decided to advocate sinking the surrendered German warships.

The proposition, he declared, has not even been discussed.

The United Press asked the secretary about the truth of the report, during a conference with the American correspondents.

"Is it true the American commission has decided to advocate sinking the German warships?" was the question put to him.

"No," he replied, "We haven't decided anything. The proposition has not even been discussed."

**SOUTH AMERICA
WANTS HUN FLEET**

Washington, Dec. 23.—South America would like to get some or all of the surrendered German fleet, according to reports here today. Some of the countries are anxious to increase their naval strength and to have a share in the proposed international fleet larger than they would with their present sea power.

WHITE XMAS MAYBE.

Chicago, Dec. 23.—White Christmas predicted for this territory.

AGED WOMAN ENDS LIFE.

Chicago, Dec. 23.—Mrs. Theodosia Smith, 86, suicided.

**FORMER AMERICAN AMBASSADOR
TO GREAT BRITAIN PASSES AWAY**

Pinehurst, N. C., Dec. 23.—Walter Hines Page, who resigned last August as ambassador to Great Britain because of ill health, is dead here. His health began to fail nearly a year ago and he gave up his post as American representative at the court of St. James late in the summer.

Dr. Page returned to the United States on October 13 and he was moved directly from the steamer to a hospital in New York. For a time his condition showed improvement, but late in November he suffered a relapse. Early this month he rallied and 10 days ago was brought to Pinehurst. For a while he seemed to grow stronger, but suffered a second relapse last Thursday.

Mr. Page was editor of the magazine, The World's Work, and a member of the publishing firm of Doubleday, Page & Co., of Garden City, L. I., when in March, 1913, President Wilson appointed him American ambassador to Great Britain.

The President's selection of an editor said an author for this post elicited favorable comment in Great Britain where Dr. Page was referred to as a "scholar-diplomat" and his appointment was characterized as an interesting experiment. His selection was in all the big drives made by the British for Americans in France.

He was shot through the neck last June, at Chateau Thierry, and spent two months in a hospital. When he recovered he returned to the front. The young man enlisted in the Marine Corps in July 1916, and was among the first Marines sent to France. He was considered in some British circles as a compliment to the good sense of the British people who, it was stated, preferred a man of personality and achievement as American ambassador rather than a man of wealth capable of giving lavish and expensive entertainments.

**BLOODY STREET
FIGHTING GOING
ON IN ESSEN**

Zurich, Dec. 23.—Bloody street fighting at Essen between forces of the workmen's and soldiers' council and Spartacides was reported in a dispatch received today. There were many casualties. The Spartacides apparently were defeated.

Rioting started when leaders of a strike at the Bottorff mine were arrested by agents of the workmen's and miners soldiers council. The Spartacides obtained reinforcements, attacked the prison, released their comrades and imprisoned the soviet representatives.

Shortly afterward an armed mob marched upon the Moiller Mine and attempted to destroy the plant. Workmen and soldiers forces planting machine guns at strategic points met the miners with a deadly fire and dispersed them. Many fell.

**AMERICAN WOMEN
MUST HAVE UNIFORMS**

Paris, Dec. 2.—(By Mail)—War is not without its snafus. Some of America's women war workers keep it from being too dull in Paris.

For instance, the matter of uniforms. Although living in hotels, doing work as simple as that which they would do at home, dining in up-to-date restaurants, some of the American women in Paris go in for uniforms at a terrific pace.

There is one woman (name deleted) or unsought by voluntary censorship) who is wearing a severe looking khaki uniform of skirt and coat. But that isn't bad form as wartime styles go. Her feet and ankles are what give the shock, for she wears the heaviest of shoes and spiral puttees, such as soldiers at the front wear. The puttees, in addition to being puttees, are of the heaviest wool variety, whereas if the warworker just had to wear puttees, she might have gotten silk.

Far more Amazonian Americans are to be seen in Paris than at the front. The Salvation Army workers, and other women appearing here occasionally, dress as daintily as their surroundings will permit. They have a regulation uniform, but it has a feminine touch—and puttees are not worn.

If the women warworkers only knew it, a woman in ordinary dainty civilian dress is just about twice as welcome to the soldier's eye as one in uniform.

**FATHER SHOTS
SON BY MISTAKE**

Akron, O., Dec. 23.—David Nichols, 25, is dead and his father, Joseph 53, is in a serious condition at City Hospital following a double shooting near the Nichols home. The father mistook his son for Lloyd L. Leisare, to whom he objected as a suitor for his daughter, Marie. The elder Nichols may live.

WOMEN DECORATED

London, Dec. 10.—(By Mail)—Viscountess Harcourt, formerly Miss Mary Burns, New York, was decorated by the king recently with the Grand Cross of the British Empire for distinguished service in the American and British Red Cross. Viscountess Harcourt was in charge of two American hospitals, American Red Cross hospital 21 at Paizement, Devonshire and Number 22 at Lancaster Gate.

**DAVID TOMS IS
WOUNDED DURING
LAST WEEK OF WAR**

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Toms of Fairfield, have received a letter from their son, David Edmund Toms of the Marines, in which he told them that he was wounded in the fighting which took place the last week of the war, and is in a base hospital in France.

This was the second wound received by him.

He was shot through the neck last June, at Chateau Thierry, and spent two months in a hospital. When he recovered he returned to the front. The young man enlisted in the Marine Corps in July 1916, and was among the first Marines sent to France. He was considered in some British circles as a compliment to the good sense of the British people who, it was stated, preferred a man of personality and achievement as American ambassador rather than a man of wealth capable of giving lavish and expensive entertainments.

LOCAL ITEMS

Fred W. O'Dea is convalescing from an attack of appendicitis in a base hospital at Brest, France, according to word received by his family. He recovered without being obliged to undergo an operation. Mr. O'Dea recently completed his course of instruction in a radio school, and passed successfully, but he was unable to attend the banquet which was held by the class in celebration of their graduation as he was then ill in the hospital.

Carving Sets—at Babb means Best. adv.12-24

Mrs. Carl O. Nybladh, of Galesburg, Ill., arrived in Xenia, Saturday night to spend the holiday season with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Trader.

Flashlights—at Babb means Best. adv.12-24

John B. Tiffany of Akron, is the guest of his brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Owen Tiffany of west Third street, for Christmas. His sister, Mrs. Sallie Kline, of Akron, is expected to arrive today.

Look for your Xmas presents at Engilman's. It will pay you. adv

Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Quarles of Columbus, formerly of this city, are receiving congratulations over the birth of a daughter, Thursday, Dec. 20.

The Ford service of the Xenia Oil Company was badly damaged Saturday afternoon when it was struck head-on by the Lysander Peterson cattle truck, driven by Cleveland Bobbitt. The machine collided on Cincinnati avenue near the Hoover & Allison company, and it was thought the accident was due to loose control on the heavy truck. The Ford car was taken to the W. A. Kelly Ford agency for repairs. The front end of the machine was badly smashed and the axle and radius rod bent.

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Wike have gone to Toledo to spend the holidays with Mrs. Wike's mother, Mrs. M. B. Kendig.

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WEATHER REPORT

Monday fair and colder; Tuesday probably snow.

Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Landaker and son Wm. Lawrence, of Indianapolis, arrived in Xenia Saturday evening to spend the holidays with Dr. and Mrs. W. H. Finley.

GET IT AT DONGES. adv

—Members of the New Jasper Council, J. O. U. A. M. are requested to be present, Thursday night, Dec. 26, important business.

Dr. A. C. Messenger has received a supply of the influenza serum made according to the formula of Dr. Rose-nov of the Mayo Foundation. The recent discovery of this formula, which was tested at the Mayo clinics, attracted much attention in the medical world.

The funeral of Lawrence Keiter will be held Tuesday morning, with short services at the home on the Ludlow road at 10 o'clock, and at the graves in Woodland. The casket will be uncovered at the cemetery. Rev. Tapy of Beaver Reformed church will be in charge. There is no illness now in the Keiter family. Mrs. Keiter and the children being well.

Pocket knives—at Babb means Best. adv.12-24

Mr. C. E. Arbogust will join his wife at her old home in Louisville, going there to spend the Christmas season.

If you can't decide—give him a Criterion Gift Certificate. adv.12-23

Miss Dena Powell arrived home Saturday from Springfield, and will spend the holidays with her parents at Old Town.

George Sugden has been discharged from the army at Camp Taylor, and has joined Mrs. Sugden at the home of her parents, Dr. and Mrs. George Anderson, at Alpha.

Let us tell you about our free sale bill proposition. Call at this office. tf

The condition of James H. Lloyd, well known young contractor, who is critically ill of complications, following pneumonia, was a little improved Monday morning.

Mrs. Laura Alexander will go to Cincinnati Christmas, to spend two weeks on a visit with relatives.

For his Christmas a Gift Certificate from The Criterion, issued for any amount redeemable any time. adv.12-23

The Mullen barber shop will be open Xmas eve until 11 o'clock and will be closed all day Christmas day. 12-24

The Sunday school party at Trinity church, Monday evening, at 7:30, promises to be one of delight and gladness. Just an old-fashioned Christmas tree with a social good time for the Sunday school and its friends. Christmas gifts in money will be brought for the orphan children of Bible lands. Let all the school and its friends come and be glad and help to make glad the children in the land where Christ was born and in the lands of Bible story.

Dance at K. of P. hall tonight. Good music. adv

Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Hurley of Hill street have as their guests, Mr. and Mrs. Claud Grass (Lola Lacey) of New Castle, Ind., who are on their honeymoon. Mrs. Grass is a niece of Mrs. Hurley.

Subscriptions and renewals to other publications will be accepted this year as usual, at the Gazette and Republican office. We can make club prices on any magazines published, thus saving you time and money. 12-31

James Robinson of Detroit, Mich., is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. William Finley of South Detroit street.

James Paullin of Camp Sherman, is spending an eight days' furlough at his home in this city.

Harold Fetz, who has been in an eastern camp, arrived Saturday at Camp Sherman, to await his discharge.

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Mrs. Jno. Bruce of Orange street is convalescent after an attack of influenza.

Private Harry L. Hilliard of Call Field, Texas, is home on a ten day furlough.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles A. Smith of Harlem, Montana, arrived here today for a visit of several weeks with his brother, Frank P. Smith and family of the Clark's Run neighborhood, and other relatives. This is the first time they have been here in 21 years.

The McDonald homestead, corner of Third and Galloway streets, (No. 138 West Third street) will be sold at public sale at the west door of the court house, Saturday, December 28th, at ten o'clock, A. M. Property appraised at \$6,100. The keys to house at the law office of W. F. Trader, 57 Allen Building. 12-27

Mrs. L. K. Sone of New York City has returned home after spending a month in Xenia, the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. J. Graham, of West Church street.

Mrs. William L. Ekin of Logansport, Ind., is the guest of relatives for the holidays. Mr. Ekin will spend Tuesday and Wednesday in Xenia.

Wanted—To rent a house or apartment of at least six rooms. Jesse Johnson, 259 North King St., Bell 677W. adv

Silverware—at Babb means Best. adv.12-24

Mrs. Anna Rossiter of East Church street, will spend the holidays with relatives in Dayton and Indianapolis.

Percolators—at Babb means Best. adv.12-24

Mrs. Harriett Swabb, Miss Mary Swabb and E. E. Lightheiser, went to Middletown, Monday to attend the funeral of Mrs. Frank Kline, a sister of Mrs. Swabb and half sister of Mr. Lightheiser, who died unexpectedly last Friday. Mrs. Kline's maiden name was Jane Starr and she spent her early life in this county. She is survived by her husband and four children.

Manicure Sets—at Babb means Best. adv.12-24

Hundreds of useful gifts to select from for every member of the family at C. A. Kelble's store. 12-23

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Davis and their little daughter, Norma, of Bellbrook avenue, are confined to their beds with influenza. Mrs. Jas. Hubbard, Mrs. Davis' mother, was also taken ill while nursing the Davis family. Mrs. Ada Zimmerman, of Detroit, arrived this morning to nurse the sick.

Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Bradfield have arrived here from Chicago, where Mr. Bradfield attends the Chicago Art Institute, and will spend the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. John Bradfield of this city, and Mr. and Mrs. Joshua Brown of the Cincinnati pike.

Mr. Joshua Oglesbee of West Third street, was stricken by paralysis, Sunday, and is in a very critical condition. He had been in ill health for a long time.

Notice, Christmas shoppers. C. A. Kelble's Clothing and Shoe Store will be open tonight and tomorrow night until 9:30 o'clock. 12-23

Miss Matilda Evers, who is a Red Cross nurse in the military hospital at Waynesville, N. C., has arrived home on a ten days' furlough. Soldiers convalescent from effects of gassing are being treated at the hospital, where Miss Evers is situated, and which is located in the mountains.

C. A. Kelble's store will be open tonight and tomorrow night until 9:30 o'clock. 12-23

Friends of Andy Haninger, who has been confined to his home by illness for the last seven weeks, were glad to welcome him Sunday, when he was able to walk out from his home. Mr. Haninger's health is very much improved.

Don't miss C. A. Kelble's big store when out Christmas shopping. 12-23

Mrs. Kathryn Stephenson Collins, wife of Dr. J. R. Collins, is very low of influenza at her home in Kentville, Nova Scotia, according to a telegram received Monday morning by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Stephenson of Yellow Springs. The first word concerning her illness was received by her parents last Saturday.

Little John Espey, baby son of Dr. and Mrs. Paul Espey, is critically ill of pneumonia. The baby was believed to be passing through the crisis in his illness, Monday. Dr. Espey's parents from Rising Sun, Ind., are at their son's home.

Look at C. A. Kelble's store for largest assortment of house slippers, 49c, 89c, \$1.25, \$1.49, \$1.98, \$2.49. 12-23

Private James Paullin, who is connected with the adjutant's detachment, headquarters company, which is working, discharging troops at Camp Sherman, is at his home here on an eight day furlough. He does not expect to be discharged before the middle of January.

If you want to give a Christmas basket to some poor family, call the Social Service League for a name.

If you are going to give a Christmas basket to some poor family, report to the League to avoid duplications.

Rev. George S. Macaulay, who has been in France for a year as a Y. M. C. A. secretary, is expected home Tuesday morning. A telegram was received from him saying that he reached New York Saturday night. Rev. A. G. MacLennan of Yellow Springs, who accompanied him home, was met in New York by Mrs. MacLennan, and they will go on to Nova Scotia to spend Christmas with relatives, and to be present at the marriage of Roy MacLennan's sister.

Xenia has never had such a large selection of Christmas goods as you will find in C. A. Kelble's store. 12-23

POLICE COURT

Four plain drunk cases were arraigned before Police Judge E. Dawson Smith in the usual lively Monday morning session in police court. William Watkins, Amanda Thomas, Solomon Ewing and Homer Wade, all arrested for plain drunk, were each fined \$1 and costs.

George Cartwright, white, was arrested on the charge of stealing two beef steaks and a blanket from an automobile on the streets Saturday and was given 30 days in the work house and \$25 and costs by Judge Smith. Cartwright was arrested on suspicion when it was found he had the stolen goods in his possession and he confessed that he stole them from an automobile. As yet the police have been unable to find the owner, as Cartwright did not go to the trouble of learning the name of his victim.

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A Store for Dad and the Boys

THEATERS

BIJOU

George Walsh has his usually delightful role and plot in the Fox picture "On the Jump," which played at the Bijou theater Tuesday. The offering shows this versatile star as a newspaper reporter who runs into more live-wire adventures than is usually crammed into the mortal existence of one man. From reporter to secret service man, applicant for the tank-corps, Liberty Bond salesman, and again reporter, are some of the various jobs that keep him on the jump, through the entire picture.

Mildred Harris, pretty little wife of the comedian, Charlie Chaplin, plays at the Bijou Wednesday and Thursday in "For Husbands Only" a much-talked of production of Lois Weber's. Miss Weber has turned her mind to the production of amusement pictures of the finest quality and this, her latest effort, has been talked of more than any of her pictures.

ORPHIUM

That charming matinee idol, Earle Williams, is centering the lime-light at the Orphium for the Christmas Eve program, appearing in the Vitagraph picture "The Man Who Wouldn't Tell." The production has an interesting and curiosity-arousing name and is quite as interesting as it sounds.

Williams is supported by Grave Darnmond, Charles Spear and Edward Cecil. To give just an inkling of what it is all about it is enough to say that Williams plays the part of a British Secret Service man in America.

William Fraver has arrived home from Camp Sheridan for an over Christmas furlough.

'SYRUP OF FIGS' IS CHILD' LAXATIVE

Look at tongue! Remove poisons from stomach, liver and bowels.



Accept "California" Syrup of Figs only—look for the name California on the package, then you are sure your child is having the best and most harmless laxative or physic for the little stomach, liver and bowels. Children love its delicious, fruity taste. Full directions for child's dose on each bottle. Give it without fear.

REORGANIZATION OF ARMY STARTED

Washington, Dec. 21—Reorganization of the U. S. Army on permanent lines has been started.

Major General Charles T. Menoher, formerly commander of the Rainbow division and later leader of the six corps, has been named by Chief of Staff March, as director of the air service.

Menoher is now on his way home but pending his arrival Col. John James A. Morris will be acting director of the service.



BABB Means BEST

To Our Friends and Customers--

For the first time in five years the Natal Day of the PRINCE of PEACE has not been blasphemed by bloodshed and the shriek of shrapnel. Let us, as Americans, live and labor for the future in concord and affection.

May yours be a MERRY CHRISTMAS and may the NEW YEAR bring to each one of you the fullest measure of health, happiness and prosperity.

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Effective Immediately. No More Direct Shipments Will Be Made Retailers. All Shipments Now Go to Jobbers for Redistribution.

When the influenza epidemic struck the country and wiped out our warehouse and jobbers' stocks almost overnight, we were faced with the problem of distributing—to the stricken districts—in the quickest possible manner—our daily output of VapoRub. We solved this by offering to ship direct to the retailers in these influenza districts, by parcel post prepaid, quantities of not more than three dozen VapoRub in any one shipment, and by shipping what was left from our daily production to our jobbers by express instead of freight.

This was costly, but it solved the problem for the time being. Now, however, we find that these small shipments are constantly increasing—we have received as many as 1,206 in a single mail. It is becoming impossible for us to fill these promptly, and in-

stead of distributing our goods more quickly, they are really slowing up the process.

We believe that we can serve you better now by reverting to our former policy of shipping exclusively through the jobber, and, effective immediately, no more drop shipments will be made.

While we have put on a night shift and have, thereby, about doubled our production, we are still unable to fill our back orders and won't be able to give each jobber all the VapoRub he wants. Hence, it will be necessary for the jobbers to continue distributing VapoRub in small lots only. But we will be able to furnish each jobber at least twice the quantity of VapoRub that he purchased for the corresponding month last year, so there should not be any difficulty in your getting your pro rata share.

We feel that the public appreciates the service that the retail and wholesale drug trade have rendered the country in this time of stress. We wish to express to both branches of the trade our thanks for the kind co-operation extended us in our efforts to meet this emergency.

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We make ALL our own candies here, with the best and purest of materials, and can satisfy the most particular tastes.

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Suggests that you no longer delay your shopping
Our stock is yet quite complete. There are to be had

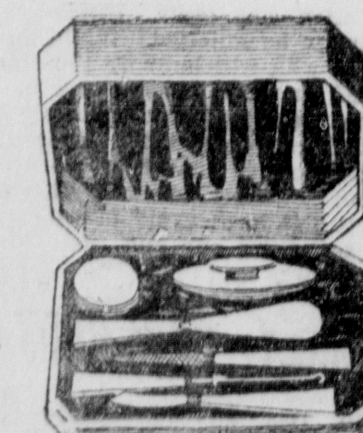
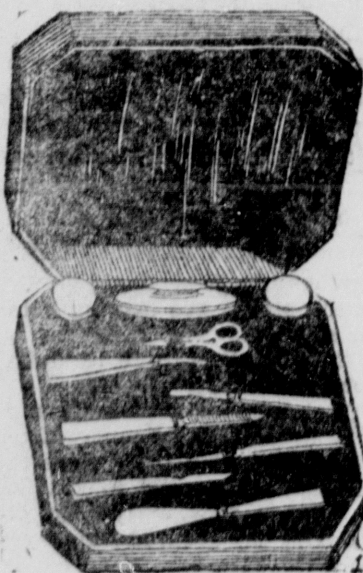
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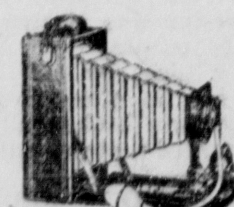
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Children's Blue Felt Cavalier Style Slippers,
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Triangle 5 reel thrilling drama of underworld featuring Pauline Starke, Casson Ferguson, Dick Rosson and an all star cast. The sweetest story ever told.

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TUESDAY NIGHT

"THE MAN WHO WOULDN'T TELL."

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ADMISSION 15c

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MATINEE AND NIGHT

"On the Jump"

William Fox, five reel comedy drama, featuring George Walsh and a superb cast.

George climbs an anchor chain, seizes a ship, fights a whole crew, swims for his life, rides a horse bareback and nothing happens while he's "On the Jump." The only tumble he takes is when he falls in love.

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Two Reel Big V Comedy Scream.

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Coming, Wednesday and Thursday,
December 25-26

"FOR HUSBANDS ONLY"

Lois Weber's tantalizing photo drama starring Mildred Harris, now Mrs. Charlie Chaplin.—A big dramatic treat for the whole family.

"JUNK" WAS THE MISSING WORD

Nearly everyone had the right answer for the Missing Word Contest this last week. Well, we just wanted to see how many contestants were wide awake and ready for business, for we made the word exceptionally easy on this account. The word left out was "JUNK," and was omitted from the Xenia Iron and Metal Co.'s ad, where it should read, magazines, metal and other junk, etc. etc.

We really thought that this easy one would be gotten by all of the real hunters, but that some of the indifferent ones would skip it was not surprising to us.

Now for this week we have a harder one, and all contestants will have to bend every effort to the task if they find it. The word starts with an I and ends with an E.

Now see if you can find this word, it's hard, but some hunters will no doubt find it.

XMAS SERVICE AT BAPTIST CHURCH

The Christmas service, held Sunday morning, at First Baptist church, under the leadership of Mrs. Mary Munger Meredith, with Prof. Edmund Munger as organist, was very beautiful and inspiring.

The program rendered was as follows: Anthem, "Let Us Go Even Unto Bethlehem."

Hymn, "O Little Town of Bethlehem."

Scripture: The passage read before House of Lords and House of Commons on day the armistice was signed. Isa. 61.

Solo "Calm on the Listening Ear of Night," Miss Ruth Maley.

Duet, "The Lord's My Shepherd," Miss Donna Fudge and Miss McFadden.

Sole, "Jesus Only," Miss Harriett McCarty.

Hymn, "Hark, the Angels Sing."

Anthem, "Arise, Shine for Thy Light is Come."

Sermon, "The Prince of Peace."

Hymn, "The Answering Hills of Palestine."

The prevailing thought in this year's Christmas service was the peace brought to the human heart and to the world's need through the Son of God.

STOMACH UPSET?

Pape's Diapiesin at once, ends sourness, gas, acidity, indigestion.

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Musterole is a clean, white ointment made with oil of mustard. It is fine for quick relief from sore throat, bronchitis, croup, cough, cold, asthma, neuralgia, headache, congestion, pleurisy, rheumatism, lumbago, pains and aches of the back or joints, sprains, sore muscles, bruises, chilblains, frostbite, colds on the chest (it often prevents pneumonia). Nothing like Musterole for croupy children. Keep it handy for instant use. 30c and 60c jars; hospital size \$2.50.



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SHOWER IS GIVEN FOR BRIDE-ELECT

A delightful afternoon was spent at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Peterson, of near Bellbrook, Saturday afternoon, when a number of friends gave a miscellaneous shower for Miss Sarah Pavey McKinney, whose marriage to Mr. Harry Everett Guthrey will take place Tuesday, December 24.

After a delightful afternoon of music and social chat, dainty refreshments were served, the favors being sprigs of holly.

Those enjoying the occasion were: Misses Gladys and Marjory Turner, Winifred Higgins, Gertrude Hess, May Wright, Bertha Purdon, Frances Wilson, Sarah Roberbaugh, Mary Higgins, bride-elect, Miss McKinney and Mrs. G. P. Stutsman, Mrs. John Jobe, Mrs. Charles McKinney, Mrs. Carl McKinney, Mrs. Inez Jobe, Mrs. Fred Hoyle, Mrs. James Scammahorn, Mrs. Homer Thomas, Mrs. Homer Bond, and Mrs. Charles Kahle, all from near Bellbrook.

Other guests from a distance were: Mrs. Walter Wilson and daughter, Miss Frances, of Waynesville, and Mrs. Anna Oglesbee, Mrs. Elmer Compton, Mrs. Jesse Haynes and Mrs. William Mendenhall of New Burlington.

FUNERAL SERVICES FOR MRS. HENRY COX

Funeral services were held Monday morning at ten o'clock at Gladstone church for Mrs. Henry Cox, of Gladstone, who died Friday evening, after less than a week's illness of influenza and pneumonia.

Mrs. Cox was 42 years of age and was a member of Gladstone church. She is survived by her husband, and four daughters, Miss Goldie, a school teacher, Mrs. Eugene Leslie of near Gladstone and Misses Hazel and Dorothy Fay at home. Mrs. Leslie and Dorothy Fay are ill at the present time of influenza.

The funeral services were held in charge of Rev. J. F. Gordon of Jamestown. Burial was made at Milledgeville.

BIRTHDAY PARTY

Quite an event was a delightful affair, given in honor of Bertha Hyman's tenth birthday anniversary at the home of her parents, on East Market street, Saturday afternoon. Fifteen invited guests, schoolmates and girl friends, honored the occasion by their presence, each striving to render the affair one of merriment and pleasure. The rooms were handsomely decorated and Mrs. Hyman, the charming hostess, with her wonted hospitality and innate desire to make others happy, added greatly to the enjoyment of the assembled guests. The brilliantly lighted dining room, the beautifully decked table, lavishly supplied with delicious "sweets," surrounded by sixteen sweet, happy girls, was a charming sight, one which will linger in the memory of the participants.

The celebrant was the recipient of many beautiful presents which were highly appreciated.

Those present were: Florence Chew, Henrietta Monroe, Anna Louise Jones, Maude Winn Monroe, Sarah Engelman, Pauline Sutton, Margaret Jewett, Nancy Jane Gardner, Virginia Heathman, Jane Hayward, Mildred Hyman, Josephine John, Nannette Friedman, Thelma Wagner, Helen Reutinger and Bertha Hyman.

EAST END NEWS

Mrs. Mary E. Mosell of Baltimore, grandmother to Mrs. Ella Lee, has arrived here to spend the winter with Mrs. Lee. She will be much comfort to Mrs. Lee, whose husband, Prof. B. F. Lee, Jr., is in the Y. M. C. A. work. The camp at which Prof. Lee is stationed has been made permanent and he will be retained in the army, upon an advanced salary.

Private Wade Allen is here on a 30 day furlough, to visit his wife and new born son. He is being treated at No. 3, U. S. Hospital, at Long Branch, N. J., for gun shot wound of the left forearm.

St. John's A. M. E. choir rehearsal tonight at eight o'clock. All members are urged to be present.

St. John's A. M. E. Sunday school will have an entertainment and a Christmas treat, Tuesday evening. All persons having presents please bring them to the church and put them in the post office and have them distributed by Postmaster Mr. James Peters and his assistant, Mr. Nathaniel Scurry. Those expecting a treat will have to be present. No admission fee.

Weaver Smith, the five year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Smith of 1003 E. Second street, died this morning at five o'clock. Funeral tomorrow afternoon at 2:30, from the undertaking parlors of Johnson and Harris.

The sixteen months old boy of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Anderson of East Main street, died this morning at 6:30 o'clock, from pneumonia. Funeral will be held Tuesday.

The Xmas celebration at Zion Baptist church, Wednesday P. M., is expected to be an unusually good entertainment. The full program will appear in tomorrow's paper. Please come on time.

Wise Man Is Patient.

A physician is not angry at the impatience of a mad patient, nor does he take it ill to be called at by a man in a fever. Just so should a wise man treat all mankind, as a physician treats a patient, and look upon them only as sick and extravagant.—Seneca.

Really good value, Mrs. Austin's Famous Buckwheat. A good big package for a quarter.

CHILDREN IN NEW YORK CITY ARE STARVING

New York, Dec. 23.—Aroused by reports that, with Christmas approaching, East Side children are "fainting in school rooms and dying at home from hunger" because their parents cannot pay the prevailing high prices for milk and staple foods, representative citizens today organized a committee to "feed them first and investigate afterward."

A plea that something be done for her pupils, who were "slowly starving to death," was made recently by a teacher to Joseph S. Markus, a banker, who now heads the relief organization. Mr. Markus himself visited schools, hospitals and tenements, and today issued a statement, dealing with conditions on the East Side.

One settlement, he said, has the names of 150 babies who, recovering from influenza, now face death from pneumonia because their parents cannot buy milk to restore them to health. Every hospital in the district, he continued, knows hundreds more underfed children, many of whom are physically unable to continue their studies.

Of this visit to one school, he said: "In one room there were 22 children. A ragman would not have paid five cents for all the clothing they wore. Many had no undergarments, and those who did could hardly call them by that name. Many were without shoes and others had heelless and solesless ones."

"We learned most of them came there without any breakfast. Some kind people were giving the teacher a little money every week, and with that she purchased some milk and cereals, preparing gruel over a small stove in the room. She said with the high cost of milk now she was not able to buy much, and that several of the children had fainted right there in the classroom. Others were too weak to leave home and died there. Malnutrition was the cause—starvation."

Gosh!

While a Toledo man was shooting bedbugs in his room, a bullet glanced and wounded his roommate. We have roomed in other towns where you had to go after the bedbugs with a hammer or a baseball bat, but we'd hate to room in Toledo, where you have to go after 'em with a gun.

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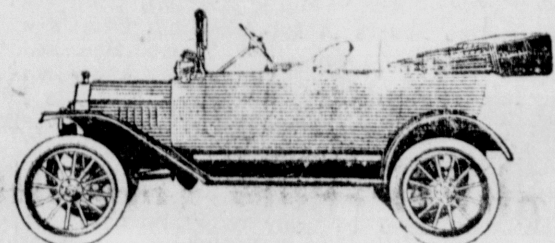
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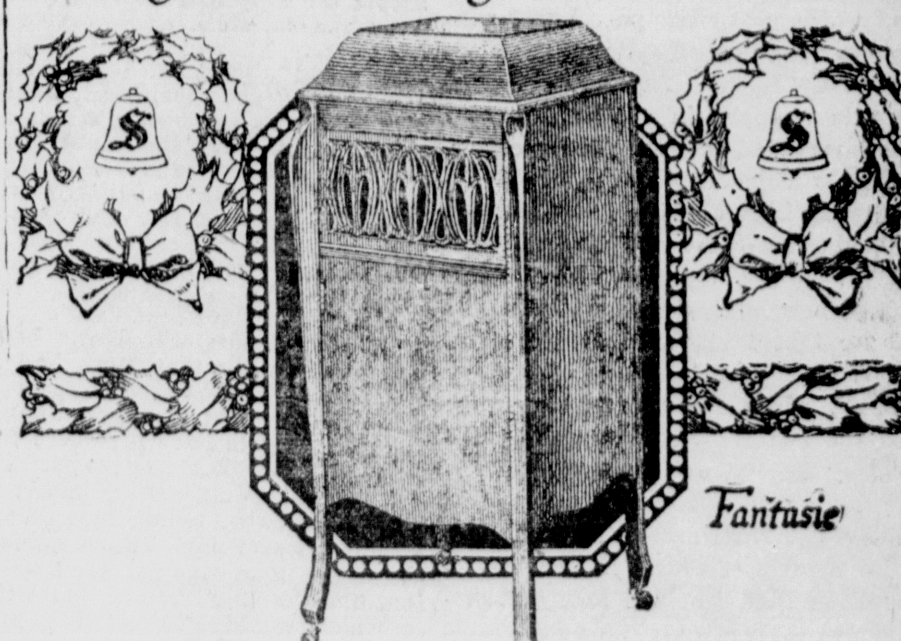
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The Xenia Daily Gazette

J. P. CHEW, EDITOR.

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"CHRISTMAS GIFT."

Have times changed, or have you and I changed? Don't you remember, when we were young what fun it was, on Christmas morning, to "catch" each other by being first to cry "Christmas gift?" How we would avoid being "caught" by dodging hither and yon, and springing on the other fellow? Why it was as good as playing blind man's buff after supper. But possibly, this was mostly among the young folks—for youth is the gay and pleasant spring of life, when joy is stirring in the dancing blood.

And, don't you remember when we were young, how simple seemed the means to satisfy us in the way of Christmas gift—the ginger-cake horse, the twisted doughnuts and perhaps an orange. These would not figure largely with the youth of today, when a diamond ring or a wrist watch are very common affairs. But times have changed—and some of us are back numbers.

This brings us to the general subject of Christmas gifts. Come to think of it—did you ever think of it—the significance of giving presents on Christmas? Perhaps it is primarily based on Paul's expression alluding to the first Christmas, "Thanks be unto God for His unspeakable gift." And incidentally to the act of the wise men, who had seen his star in the East and following it came to Bethlehem, in the land of Judea, "and when they were come into the house, they saw the young child with Mary, his mother, and fell down and worshipped him; and when they had opened their treasures, they presented unto him gifts, gold and frankincense, and myrrh."

At all events this is good enough authority for gladness of hearts to follow—so that in giving presents on Christmas we are symbolizing a double thanksgiving, one of gratitude to God for the gift of His only begotten son for the redemption of a lost world, and another of love to our friends because we want them to know our esteem for them by these remembrances.

Some of these friends may be far away. You realize how many people are thinking and remembering their absent loved ones when you stand in line at the post office parcel post window to get yours off for perhaps Florida or California. And how much of love is wrapped in the package, no one knows, but the giver and receiver. Precious moments these to the two—and who knows which has the most joy, she who gives or she who receives.

And how much the world is indebted for that first "unspeakable gift." To it the world owes for every church, every Sunday school, every hospital and every asylum, every missionary society, every impulse of every man to be a "neighbor" to his fellow man in time of need. Today, from the lips of Christ the call comes to all in behalf of the needy, "inasmuch as ye have done it unto the least of these ye have done it unto me." No man is to be the judge in this case, but God and your own conscience.

GIVING DAYS.

A young business man and his wife who have just given \$8,000 to the Centenary cause in Syracuse, had just managed a few years ago, to save \$1,500, which they planned to use for the purchase of an automobile.

One night a foreign missionary spoke at their church, pointing out the need of funds to carry on the great work which he described. The young husband and wife gave their hard-earned savings of \$1,500 to the cause of missionary work. The following week a big feed concern announced that it would give a \$2,000 automobile as a prize to the salesman or dealer who sold the most carloads of their feed during the season. It is not hard for the reader to guess who won this prize.

Shortly afterward the pastor of his church asked him if he ever regretted the sacrifice of that \$1,500.

"Most certainly not," was the answer. "I believe that if I hadn't given that \$1,500 I never would have owned a \$2,000 auto nor had the satisfaction of knowing that there was one more church in China. I am just as sure that I wouldn't have won the prize without the Lord's help. I never was lucky anyway—until then."

PATRIOTIC BREWERS!

Mr. Percy Andrae, agent of the brewers, has testified how the Ohio organization kept three sets of envelopes addressed to 150,000 supporters in order to do quick work in case of necessity for political or business reasons. The foreign-language press has been kept busy by brewery money. Some English dailies have run editorials written by brewery agents and received pay for the space. Miss I. T. Martin, while being employed by the brewers at \$300 per month, succeeded through hypocrisy in getting herself elected secretary of a prohibition conference of Catholics in New York and destroyed their records which were hurtful to the brewers' influence over that backward church. Because Mr. H. P. Heinz was elected president of the Pennsylvania Sabbath School Association at a convention which also passed a temperance resolution, his "fifty-seven varieties" were ordered boycotted by circulars sent through the mails of thousands of wet consumers. Business men dealing with brewers had to buy a special kind of stamp from them, the sale of which amounted to \$136,194.01, within eight months, a neat sum spent to buy negro votes and pay for wet agitators in labor unions!

"THE WIFE"

BY JANE PHELPS

BRIAN'S LETTER DISTURBS RUTH.

CHAPTER CXXI.

"Dear Ruth," Brian had written. I was delighted to receive your letter. Keep your aunt with you. She will be company for you, and keep you from getting lonely. It's great to be over here, Ruth—great to be able to fight for the country you love. And the women are wonderful! I realize it more every day. Mollie King is here, doing nursing. I see her often. It helps to keep me out of mischief. One has much idle time, just now, but later when I get into the fighting line, I shan't find time dragging. I can scarcely wait. It is too bad you couldn't have come over with me. But of course that would have meant giving up your position, even if wives were allowed—which they are not."

There was much more, but Ruth scarcely knew what she was reading. "Mollie King is here, doing nursing. I see her often. It helps to keep me out of mischief." Those short sentences which told so little, yet, to Ruth, implied so much, she read over and over.

"He sees her often. SHE keeps him out of mischief," Ruth muttered aloud. Then: "What mischief could he get into half as bad as being with her?"

Really Ruth was enormously miserable over that letter. She had skipped all that about Mollie when she read it to her aunt; yet that astute old lady had realized that, for some reason, Ruth was worried over the letter.

"I could almost wish he wouldn't come back," she murmured, then immediately felt conscience stricken for the thought. Yet she could not understand Ruth. She insisted that she loved Brian, was constantly telling Mrs. Clayborne of this and that lovely thing he had said or done, yet she had not told him of the baby—the child she so passionately loved, and had named for him.

Of course, Mrs. Clayborne had no way of knowing that Ruth had decided—before that letter came—to write Brian about his boy. That she was planning to have a picture taken to send him. But so it was. Ruth had written Brian a long letter, telling of the baby, telling him that she wouldn't worry him before he left—which she knew was not her true reason, but the only one she could think of which would look at all feasible, and which would not hurt him. She could not tell him that, because she knew he spent that last hour with Mollie King, she had kept silence. She would not mention Mollie.

This letter, a long one, had been a hard one to write, and had taken her entire evening. She read it over after receiving the one from Brian; then deliberately tore it into tiny bits.

"He is having such a good time with Mollie King, he won't care about anything that concerns me—or baby," she added, her lip quivering. Little Brian was growing so fast, was such a healthy, happy sort of a

child, that she longed inexpressibly to share him with Brian, even if only to write to him. She had grieved more than her aunt knew or imagined because she had not told Brian of her condition. Often had she lain awake at night because of her guilty feeling. Now a dull sullen, hatred of Mollie took possession of her, which, added to the jealousy she had so long felt, warped her sense of proportion. tlasty hrdl SE SE SE S ESEEEEEEE

"I'll never tell him now! He can have his good times with HER!" ("her" being Mollie). "I will have good times too. I'm through staying at home and moping because I am married. Precious little moping he is doing."

For the time being even the danger to which Brian might in minute be exposed, failed to soften her feelings toward him. That he at almost any minute might be ordered into the trenches, passed completely from her mind, overshadowed by the thought that he was often with Mollie King.

She wished he hadn't told her. Her active imagination had pictured them as together, but there was always a doubt. Now even the comfort of the doubt was taken from her. Hadn't Brian written:

"I see her often. She helps to keep me out of mischief?"

That thought she carried with her constantly. Mandel noticed her abstraction and wondered, but with his

usual tactfulness he said nothing, did nothing, save to make everything as easy and pleasant for her as possible.

Ruth had told him that her aunt wanted her to give up her position and remain at home. She had told it laughingly, as something she would not even consider. Yet it had made Mandel fearful that something might happen to change her mind. He knew that Mrs. Clayborne's wealth made it unnecessary for Ruth to work if her aunt decided to look after her.

He also knew that Mrs. Clayborne thought little of Brian. He knew it instinctively. Neither she nor Ruth had ever hinted that such was the case. Now Brian was away—might never return. What more natural than that she should devote her wealth to those nearest to her?

Tomorrow—Ruth dwells upon the intimacy of Brian and Mollie.

Dead Civilizations.

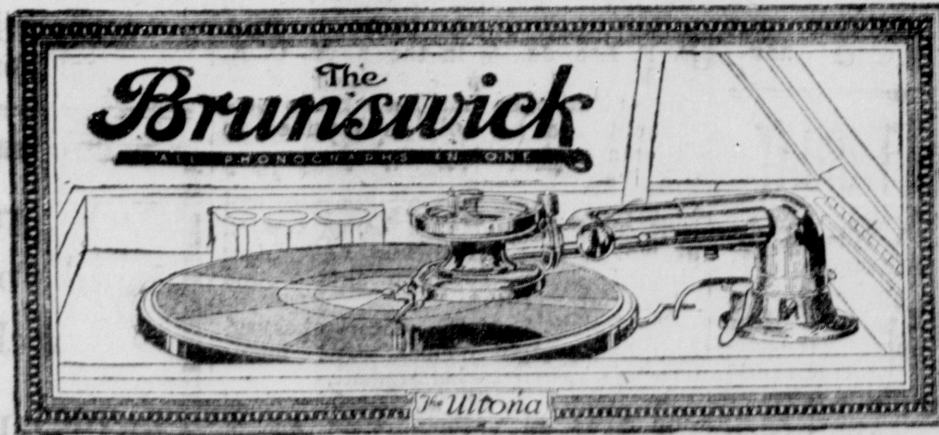
We think of a wonderful civilization, and it is, in a way, notwithstanding the shadows that rest upon its soul. But there have been civilizations almost, if not quite, as splendid as our own. And they are gone—indeed, so dead that not a tombstone remains to mark the grave.—Christian Herald.

Everyday Etiquette

"Is it considered correct to place the napkin in the water glass when preparing the table for dinner, and on which side of the plate should the napkin be placed?" inquired Mrs. Newlywed.

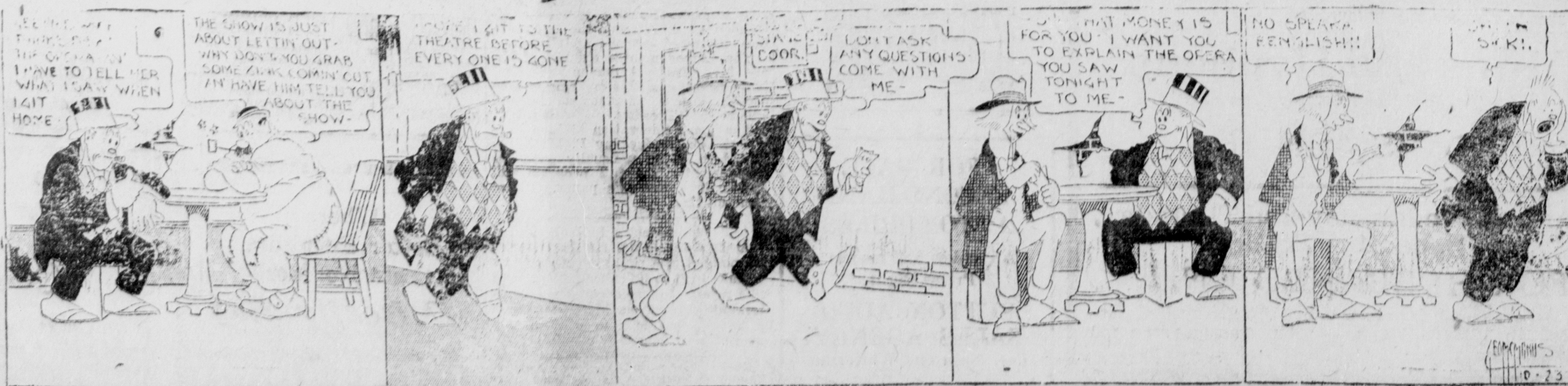
"The napkin should not be placed in the glass, but should be folded in a simple manner and placed on the left side of each plate," said her old friend.

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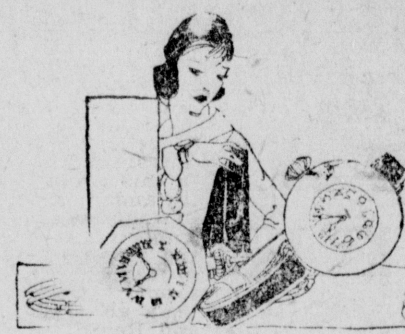
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FOR QUICK RESULTS USE WANT ADS

RECENT TESTS SHOW THE CITY WATER IS PURE

Recent tests made by the State Board of Health at the request of the city officials show the city water is now entirely pure following treatment.

The treatment of the water, which will be necessary as long as the present supply at the Springfield station is used, is being done under instructions from the State Board of Health, and is proving entirely satisfactory.

Until the water company is able to install a liquid chlorine plant, the old system of purifying the water with

bleaching powder will be used. The State Board of Health has supplied the Water Company with equipment to test the bleaching powder, to determine whether or not it contains the full amount of chlorine necessary.

The recent trouble with the water resulted from a poor supply of bleaching powder, which contained less than one-fifth of the amount of chlorine necessary to purify the water.

A little later a liquid chlorine plant will be installed and this will be used until a new supply of water can be developed, in accordance with the demand of the State Board of Health.

In the meantime, the people of Xenia can rest assured that the water supplied them is pure.

Early Declines.

If the truth could be discovered, probably it would be found that one reason why a woman lives longer than a man is because she doesn't pay any attention to statistics.—Dallas News.

RED CROSS AIDS THE CZECHO-SLAVS

Vladivostok, Nov. 19.—(By Mail) —Czecho-Slovak soldiers in Siberia have learned of the arrival here of articles of warm clothing by the tens of thousands—the gift of the American Red Cross.

An American transport unloaded 75,000 sweaters, 250,000 pairs of socks, the cloth for 50,000 overcoats and other garments.

And—within a week—two American Red Cross sanitary trains were streaming out of Vladivostok to far away Omsk, bearing part of the supplies. After delivering the clothing, the trains will be used to transport wounded soldiers from the fighting line to hospitals to be opened at Omsk, Cheliabinsk and Irkutsk.

Each train had 23 cars, including one fitted up as an operating room and another as a dentists' office. On each train were 6 physicians, a dentist, 6 American Red Cross nurses, 76 orderlies and stretcher bearers, besides pharmacists, operating room assistants and cobblers.

The American Red Cross has made good in Vladivostok and is starting along the same lines elsewhere in Siberia. The efficiency of the Red Cross workers wins the respect of the Russians and Czechs while hearts are won by Sister Patterson, Sister Chrapovitsky and other nurses. Miss Patterson's brother is flag lieutenant on the Brooklyn, so all call her sister.

CIVIL WAR VETERAN ANSWERS LAST CALL

S. H. Browder, aged 78, a prominent farmer and civil war veteran, died at his home between Jamestown and Jeffersonville, Sunday evening.

Mr. Browder was prominent in G. A. R. circles, and was officer of the day of McClellan Post, at Jamestown, when he died. He served in the Sixtieth regiment, army of the Potomac, and had a splendid army record. He is survived by his widow and several children.

Diamond Not Most Valuable.

It is a popular error to suppose that the diamond is the most valuable of the precious stones. The relative value of the finer gems places the ruby at the head of the list; the diamond second, and, following this, the sapphire. It is a very common occurrence to find a perfect diamond, but a perfect ruby is rare.

Mrs. Austin's Pancake Flour is fine—ready in a jiffy. Great big package for 25c.

The Big \$ Sale At ENGILMAN'S

Tuesday you can buy as much as \$2.50 worth for one dollar

- Boys' Shoes, sizes 10 to 13 1-2, button, \$1.75 values for per pair \$1.00
- Ladies' velvet shoes, sizes 2 1-2 to 5, \$2.50 values pair \$1.00
- 5 pairs of children's 25c hose, sizes 6 to 9 1-2 for \$1.00
- White Blankets, \$1.49 quality, each \$1.00
- 3 yards of plaid dress goods or gingham, 49c quality \$1.00
- Boys' Knee Pants, \$1.50 quality for \$1.00
- 4 yards of 1 yard wide Flamelette for \$1.00
- 7 yards apron Gingham for \$1.00
- 4 yards of Amoskeag Gingham, 35c quality for \$1.00
- 5 yards of Kikin Cloth, 30c quality \$1.00
- 5 yards Linen Crash toweling, 25c quality for \$1.00
- 4 yards Cretonne or Silkolene 35c quality for \$1.00
- Men's Flannel Shirts, \$1.49 quality \$1.00
- 1 pair overalls for \$1.74 and next pair for \$1.00
- 1 pair Men's Pants for \$2.49 and next pair for \$1.00
- 8 yards light Calico for \$1.00
- 5 yards light Percal \$1.00
- 5 pair men's heavy Sox \$1.00
- 3 pairs men's Wool hose, 50c quality for \$1.00
- One lot of Ladies Coats and Suits at each \$1.00
- 6 yards Bleached Muslin \$1.00
- \$1.00 off on all Ladies' Suits and Coats.
- 4 yards of heavy fleeced goods for kimonos or wrappers \$1
- 2 yards of table linen, 64c quality \$1.00

LOOK FOR YOUR CHRISTMAS PRESENTS AT
ENGILMAN'S IT WILL PAY YOU.
IT WILL PAY YOU.

One More Day of Christmas Shopping!

For the late purchaser we have some very startling values

GIFTS OF SHEFFIELD SILVER

- Meat Platters, with well and tree, \$11 values, special \$7.95
- Meat Platters, \$10.00 value, special \$7.60
- Meat Platters, \$9.50 value, special \$6.95
- Hickory Steak Plank, \$7.00 value, special \$4.95
- Chocolate Sets, four piece, \$10 value, special \$5.95
- Chocolate Sets, four piece, \$7.50 value, special \$4.95
- Mayonnaise Set, \$5.50 Value, Special \$3.98
- Sandwich Trays \$3.00, \$3.75, \$4.00

TRAVELING CASES—ONE-THIRD OFF

Traveling Cases with Ivory Fittings, also Ivory Toilet Cases
SPECIAL—ONE-THIRD OFF

ELECTRIC CANDLE STICKS ONE-THIRD OFF

Electric Candle Sticks complete with shade, Desk Set, Brass Ash Trays, Cut Glass and Etchel Candle Sticks.
SPECIAL—ONE-THIRD OFF

MAHOGANY—ONE-HALF OFF

Mahogany Nut Bowls, Comb and Brush Trays, Picture Frames, Sewing Boxes.

SPECIAL—ONE-HALF OFF

IVORY—ONE-THIRD OFF

Ivory Clocks, Picture Frames, Napkin Rings, Tooth Powder Boxes, Shoe Horns, Cuticle Knives.

SPECIAL—ONE-THIRD OFF

PYREX—ONE-THIRD OFF

Pyrex Ramekins, Custard Cups, Casseroles, Bread and Cake pans, Pudding Dishes, Guernseyware in Brown and white.

SPECIAL—ONE-THIRD OFF

UNDERWEAR OF CREPE DE CHINE

- Camisoles of Satin and Crepe de Chine embroidery, lace and ribbon trimmed \$1.00 to \$1.95
- Envelope Chemise of Crepe de Chine, lace and ribbon trimmed \$1.95 to \$3.50
- Gowns of Crepe de Chine, lace and ribbon trimmed at \$5.00, \$6.75
- Kayser Silk Vests in flesh \$2.59, \$3.00
- Porto Rican Embroidered Gowns and Chemise, Hand Sewn and Hand Embroidered \$2.95 to \$3.95

BATH ROBES AND KIMONAS

- Bath Robes in Navajo and Fancy Satin Trimmf models at \$4.50 to \$6.75
- Corduroy Robes in wide wale Corduroy in Copen and rose \$3.50 to \$6.75
- Silk Kimonas in Satin, Crepe de Chine and Oriental Silks \$5.95 to \$10.00

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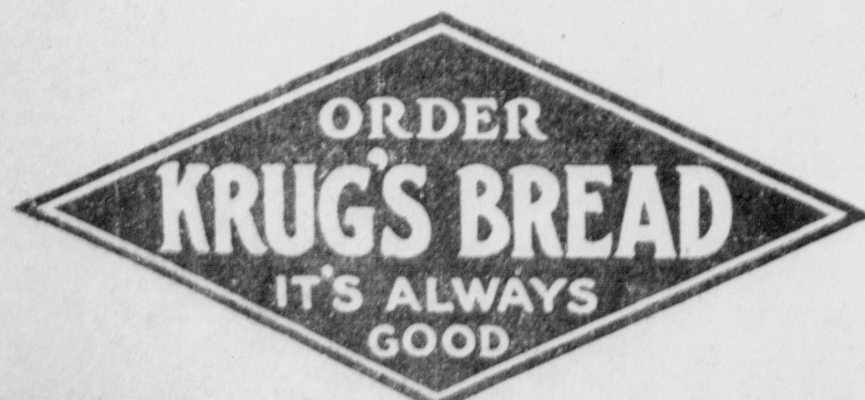
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The Big 15c Loaf

You'll find it so tasty and delicious.



XMAS CONCERT AT TRINITY IS GREATLY ENJOYED

A real Christmas concert of the highest order was given at Trinity Methodist church, Sunday afternoon. The program consisted of a procession by the choir, the members of the choir bearing lighted candles which were received at the altar of the church by four little girls in white who placed the candles in the three large brass candlesticks on the table within the altar, the choir standing at the altar and singing a beautiful Christmas hymn. Christmas anthems, hymns, choruses, solos and instrumental numbers. The large choir of select voices was under the direction of Mrs. W. H. McGervey, who for a number of years has led the choir of Trinity church with such distinction as to make the musical events of that church an attraction to the entire community. Miss Strella Bishop presided at the organ and the piano with the ease, charm and skill of an artist. Mr. Marcus Shoup, Jr., added excellence to the instrumental music by his masterful interpretations on the violin. Mrs. H. B. Thompson sang with wonderful spirit and beauty. Miss Henrietta Logan with her usual inspiring joy, so appropriate in acclaiming the new-born King. Miss Glenna Barrows with a most delicate sweetness, appropriately interpreting her part, and Mr. Leigh Bickett in a low, rich tenor of uplifting power, these four doing the solo work of the program. The entire program, rendered by the choir as a whole, was one of delightful Christmas spirit and religious impressiveness. By special request of a number of those present at the regular morning service, when Mrs. McGervey sang with great inspiration, "The Americans Come," she was asked to repeat it at the conclusion of the afternoon's program, which she did, eliciting the applause of the large audience which packed the church to its utmost capacity.

"Nemesis."

Nemesis was a goddess of justice and divine retribution. The word comes from a Greek verb meaning to dent out, distribute, dispense. In Greek mythology Nemesis was a goddess personifying allotment, or the divine distribution to every man of his precise share of fortune, good and bad. It was her special function to see that the proper proportion of individual prosperity was preserved, and that anyone who became too prosperous or was too much uplifted by his prosperity should be reduced or punished.

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SHOT GUN USED BY CLEVELAND POLICE

Cleveland, Dec. 22.—A score of automobiles, laden with police and American Protective League operatives, armed with repeating rifles and shot guns, patrolled the streets Saturday night in an effort to put an end to the crime wave that is sweeping over the city.

The machines were station at every police precinct in the city and shortly after dark began tour of their respective districts, with orders to "shoot to kill" if necessary.

This action was taken by police as the result of a week of crime in which auto bandits, hold-up men and burglars netted more than \$5,000 in their activities, shot and killed one saloon keeper, wounded another, shot two patrolmen, one perhaps fatally, held up and robbed 27 persons on the streets and burglarized 11 homes.

CLYDE SESSLAR DIES AFTER LONG ILLNESS

Clyde Sessler, 27 years of age, died at his home on the Hill road, near Jamestown, Sunday, after an illness of several years' duration from diabetes.

He is survived by his widow, his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ross Sessler, three sisters, Misses Mary and Opal at home, and Mrs. Golda Harper of Octa, and a brother, Vernon. Funeral services will be held at the home Tuesday at 2 o'clock, conducted by Rev. Moore, of Bowersville. Interment in Jamestown.

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In the Absence of Doctors Nobly Gone to War, After Influenza, the Grip—

Those wonderfully useful medicines, Hood's Sarsaparilla, Pepton and Hood's Pills—comprising the new combination family treatment—are warmly recommended.

If taken regularly, Hood's Sarsaparilla before meals, Pepton after meals, and Hood's Pills at night as needed, they are reasonably sure to keep a family in health and prove to be reliable and always ready friends. They purify the blood, build up strength and regulate the system.

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When in need of a remedy for stubborn Coughs or Colds, don't simply ask the druggist for a "Cough Medicine," but get the best. Insist upon getting SCHEFFMANN'S EXPECTORANT and don't be induced into buying something else. The druggist will refund your money if it does not give perfect satisfaction or is not found the best remedy ever used for all Bronchial affections. A bottle (50 cents worth) makes 64 teaspoonful of the most excellent cough medicine, after being mixed at home with honey or sugar syrup. Prepared from strictly harmless plants. Contains absolutely no narcotics as do most cough remedies, and it is therefore safest for children. Pleasant to take and children are fond of it. Absolutely no risk whatever is run in buying the remedy under this positive guarantee. R. J. SCHEFFMANN, Prop., St. Paul, Minn. adv



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TELEPHONE YOUR WANT ADS

HEARD FROM OUR SOLDIERS AND SAILORS

Private Harold Whitt, son of S. J. Whitt, of this city, and a member of the 37th division, now in Belgium, has written interestingly from there. The first letter was dated November 13.

"Now that peace is practically declared and every one is happy, I will write you a letter and tell you how happy I am. Home seems closer now than it has for a long time, but I suppose we will have to stay over here awhile, until everything is settled. We would gladly start today, if we were only permitted, because we have seen all of this country that we want. We have made drives in France, then we came to Belgium, and hiked all over the country, and made a big drive, and we started to make another when we heard that the armistice was on. My, we were a happy bunch. There wasn't any demonstration, but on each man's face was a happy look and everyone was asking if it could be true. It was officially confirmed, so there was no room for disbelief.

The Belgians are all returning home and the roads are covered with oxcarts loaded with furniture. Dog carts and hand carts are the same way. These dog carts are the limit. I have to laugh every time I see one. They take a little dog that looks like he could carry a pound, and hitch him up to a big two-wheeled cart. Then the driver hops in and away they go. I think I'll have a dog and cart if dad doesn't get that Ford pretty soon, cause I am going to be a regular devil on wheels for one month after I come home, or maybe I'll be so tickled to be home that you won't be able to drive me out of the kitchen. I know you won't if there

is anything good to eat lying around loose.

"We are billeted in an old Belgian woman's house and she sure treats us fine. She keeps us warm and gives us bread and coffee, washes our mess kits and treats us fine. It is just like home.

"Received Paul's picture and I wrote on it, 'lucky dude,' but I'll look like that one of these days.

"You should see my little French cane and a mustache. Well, here's hoping we'll be able to enjoy February in the states."

In a letter written November 24, he says:

"Well, dad, this is your Christmas present, so I will write you a nice, long letter, and tell you all about our travels through France and Belgium. We landed at Brest, France, on the 5th day of July, 1918. We stayed there three days and there I got my first taste of France. I thought it was great to be in a foreign country, and no one was happier than I. We entrained at Brest and took a three day train to Chaumont la Ville, France. That was a pretty nice little burg, and there was plenty of wine for sale. But not for me. I can't drink wine. And say, dad, I thought it was the most fun in the world to talk to those French girls.

"Well, we ditched our barracks bags there, and started travelling on 'Shank's pony.' Dad, I bet you a dollar to a hole in a doughnut that I have hiked 500 miles since I hit this country. We hiked from one dirt-hole to another, until we landed in Pettenville, France. There we took over the Alsace-Lorraine sector, or a part of it, around Baccarat and Nancy. We held this sector for a month or more. We got quite a bit of shell-fire and Boche airplanes bothered us some, but we held our own with them. Regimental headquarters was four miles behind the lines and I had to make the trip at least three times a day. I had a bicycle, of course, but it got tiresome riding back and forth so much. One day we got some big news. We were going to make a big drive in the near future. Well, we hiked and hiked and hiked and landed in a big woods. We pitched pup tents and you will hardly believe me when I say that our kitchens didn't catch up with us for three days. Talk about a hungry bunch! We could have eaten anything. We went as far as to ask the 'frogs' for cats. That is our nickname for Frenchmen. Well, we stayed in the woods for a week, and one day the news spread, 'we go over the top at 5:30 in the morning.' At one o'clock the big guns opened up. Dad, you can't imagine what a fearful sound they make. That barrage of course cost a make. That barrage of course cost a \$1,000,000 every five minutes. We went over the top at 5:30 on the morning of September 26. The fog was so thick that you couldn't see through it, and the Dutch machine gun fire was something awful. I will give you the details when I get home. On Oct. 1, I was gassed and sent to the hospital. I was released in a week and rejoined my outfit. After fearful hiking we landed in the St. Mihiel sector and held that for a week. Our first drive was made in Verdun, in the Argonne forest.

"After St. Mihiel, we hiked to a rail head and entrained for Belgium. On Oct. 30 we landed in Olsene, Belgium, and on the 31st we started another drive and going over the top was no joke at all this time. The Dutch put up a counter barrage and tore things up pretty lively for awhile. The sky was clear full of flares and rockets. I can't express my thoughts in words for the sight and noise was appalling. Shells were landing all around us and I expected to be among the missing any moment, but we kept going on through and everything went lovely. I captured two prisoners and got a machine gun that day. That made me pretty happy. That night we stayed in a hay stack and that was the coziest place in the whole country though.

"All the next morning we had easy sledding all the way to the river. But when we hit the river, well, we got hell. We finally got over the river on a little log. Got the whole battalion over. Lots of them fell in the river, but that didn't stop us a minute. After crossing the river we dug, and say, talk about shells. The Dutch must have known the war was nearly over and wanted to use up all their extra ammunition, so they wouldn't have to take it to Berlin with them.

"The afternoon of the day we were relieved Boche planes bombed and machine gunned us. I prayed as I never prayed before that day. Why the ground was rocking like a cradle. We were to be relieved by a French division at 6:00 o'clock. At 5:30 the Germans launched a co-located attack on us and took a few prisoners, but our men chased them back with machine guns. We got out all right and hiked that night to Thiel, Belgium. We heard that the Dutch captured a whole French company just after we were relieved. We were relieved the fifth of November. After enjoying ourselves in Thiel for three days we packed up and went to Anwegen, Belgium, to start another drive, but that drive was never pulled off. It would have been a bird, too, for they hauled tanks and armored cars all day long to the front. We had our combat packs made and expected to get up at 3:30 a. m., and start trouble. Imagine my surprise when I awoke and the sun was shining brightly and everything was still. Along comes a 'frog' and helters to me: 'Comrade, Le guerre finis.' He kept on shouting and I was sure he was drunk. Then the sergeant major came over and said: 'Boys, the armistice was signed this morning.' Instead of yelling like fools the boys were silent and talked quietly among themselves. I believe they all offered a silent prayer to the Lord. We stayed in Anwegen three days. From there we hiked to within eight

miles of Brussels and had to turn around and come back to Denze. Thus endeth the chapter.

"We were billeted in a flax mill last night and about 11 o'clock some fool fellows upset a candle and I happened to be right above it. That flax burned like powder. I was up about 14 feet and jumped clear to the ground. Everything I had burned up and I almost got burned myself. That would be awful after dodging shells for so long. And those poor people living in terror of the shells all the while and at last get their business ruined by Americans. They made an inquiry today and I was one of the chief witnesses. I am sitting now in a house

that is nice and warm and the nicest people live here. It seems like home. They kept a fire for us all night and I think I'll be able to sleep very good tonight.

"We are preparing to return to France and the chaplain says that we will be home by January. I am not a betting man, dad, but I did bet 25 francs that we would be in the United States by January 1, 1919. I have lost half my voice but it will be better by the time I get home. Too much gas on the last drive."

Young Whitt's address is: "J. H. Whitt, Third Bn, Headquarters, 148th about that time. I slept pretty well,

Inf., 37th Div., American Forces, A. P. O., 763."

According to latest information received from the 37th., the division was leaving for Le Mans on the way home and it may be possible that the local boy will win his bet yet.

Oh, for a Samson! This country is plentifully supplied with the jawbones of asses, but the trouble seems to be that we don't seem to have a Samson who can wield them.—Philadelphia Inquirer.

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Missing Word Contest Page

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Return Answer Blank

The Missing Word for the 9th week, December 23, 1918.

Was found by (Full Name)

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The word was and should appear

in advertisement

between words and

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Xenia, Ohio

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Can You Find It?
\$50

CONDITIONS—In one of these advertisements on these pages, a word is missing. To be a winner you are to find this word and the advertisement from which it is omitted, and between what words it should be inserted. A new word will be omitted each Monday and may be omitted from the same advertisement more than once. The contest will continue for 12 weeks, to be run once a week only, every Monday.

The person finding all or the most of the correct words will be given \$25. The second \$15, the third \$5 and five \$1 prizes will be awarded to the next five highest.

The missing word this week commences with "T" and ends with "E."

All answers must be filed at the Gazette-Republican office not later than the following Saturday at 5 p. m.

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Hamiln's Wizard Oil a Reliable, Antiseptic Preventive

During influenza epidemics spray the nose and throat several times a day with one part Wizard Oil and two parts water, using an atomizer. If you haven't an atomizer, gargle the throat and sniff the mixture up the nose. This treatment sets up an antiseptic wall of defense against "flu" germs.

Chest colds and sore throat lead to grip. Stop them at once with Wizard Oil before they can develop into dangerous influenza.

Get it from druggists for 30c. If not satisfied, return the bottle and get your money back.

Ever constipated or have sick headache? Just try Wizard Liver Whins, pleasant little pink pills, 30c at druggists. Guaranteed.

WOMEN LEARN HOW EASY ARE JOBS OF MEN

London, Dec. 6 (By Mail).—"Everywhere you go nowadays you find women," growled the "city man" after the girl ticket inspector in the train had insisted on seeing his season ticket. "It's going to be awful bad for them, and as for us men, our lives will never be the same again, though peace is here."

"Yes, piped up his next-door neighbor. "It certainly is getting intolerable. Why, even my luncheon place, a real old-English chop-house, has

been invaded by them; they used not to allow women inside their doors."

The women present smiled. They knew why the men were so fussed. Those women had husbands of their own—husbands who came home demanding huge dinners. "Nothing to eat all day," "Grinding at work in the office since I left the house first thing this morning," etc., etc. That was how it used to be.

The war has sent men to the trenches and their wives out to work in the city—and women have pieced the ancient sham.

The "business strain" of the man who was something-in-the-city has proved a rest cure for his wife. That little restaurant where he complained he only got "snacks" has showed his wife the reason her dinners, prepared with so much care in "the good old days," were sometimes almost untouched and often criticized.

If the bus conductor of the future returns home "dog tired" and peevish, he will be told by Mrs. Ex-Conductor how she, too, had trying days, when she had to work on the busses, keep a home going, and look after the children.

Women have learned a lot about their menfolk during these years of war. But if they realized what a comfortable existence those men folk had before the war they also realize just how much it meant to give it all up to go and do their bit, and the great majority of women will be only too eager to return to their ministrations and heap on their hero husbands every comfort a loving heart can devise. So, after all, the men will not be any worse off for having been "discovered," but women will have fewer delusions and there should be a better understanding.

Tea Blending Practical Monopoly.

The business of tea blending is peculiarly British. For 100 years Ming-lane has blended tea for the whole world and brought the work into the region of an exact science.

WHAT ABOUT YOUR INCOME?

The elements comprising the body are constantly wearing out and must be renewed daily, else the outgo of strength exceeds the income.

SCOTT'S EMULSION

will help the tired business-man or woman keep pace with the wear and tear of life. Scott's nourishes the body, blood and nerves, and helps maintain an even balance of strength and energy. Safe-guard your income of strength with Scott's.

Scott & Bowne, Bloomfield, N. J. 13-19

SOCIAL SERVICE LEAGUE SUGGESTS THINGS TO DO XMAS

If you are looking for opportunities for Christmas kindness, the Social Service league have the following to offer:

No. 1—A little mother, recently bereaved by the death of her husband has three small children to support. She is forced to work away from home and hires a woman to care for the children during her absence. After paying her housekeeper she has but few dollars left from her small wage. She will find it difficult to provide enough food and coal during the winter.

No. 2—There are eight in this family. The husband, operated on a few months ago, went to work in less than a month after operation. The mother has done housecleaning, washing and what ever she can do. Looks on verge of a breakdown. Six children under 12 years of age. The father and mother are both working to the breaking point and food, coal and clothing are greatly needed.

No. 3—A woman left with five little children. Husband died a few weeks ago from "flu." Mother in delicate condition with no means of support.

CALIFORNIA IS GOING INTO GAME OF MANUFACTURING

California is to become a manufacturing state. Already having won laurels in agriculture, horticulture and live stock, her people are determined now upon establishing a manufacturing record. During the war, the state has acquitted itself even beyond the expectation of its greatest optimists in the production of food and other raw materials.

Now to avail themselves of the vast producing tracts of land, the farmers and county boards are offering attractive inducements for manufacturing plants.

A canvass of the producing power and the manufacturing plants to make use of more products has been made by the Home Industry League of California from its central office in San Francisco.

The facts revealed show free sites, bonuses ranging from five hundred to fifteen thousand dollars; some communities will pay five per cent of the first year's salaries of a representative plant. Free water, the best transportation and a pledge of sufficient and competent help are also among the inducements.

The factories desired all of which of course will be located in close proximity to the output of raw products, include paper mills and the manufacture of paper boxes, pickle factories, canning plants, fig and orange marmalade factories, fruit by-products, tanneries, overall factories, dairy products, chicken canning plants, bean canneries, shoe factories, knitting mills, woolen mills, hemp factories, raisin and vinegar works and many others.

A few facts regarding greater California by Edward H. Brown, head of the Home Industry League are:

California has produced apples, prunes, dried and citrus fruits, lima and other beans enough this year to furnish the entire army and navy food rations with some left over for the Allies.

It has been shown clean of all its products for eastern and foreign markets to such a degree as to make extensive farming of hitherto idle lands a necessity.

California is already absorbing much of the trade that hitherto went to foreign countries.

For instance, copra, the dried coconut formerly shipped to Germany and is now shipped to San Francisco direct, where in the San Francisco bay region alone it is converted by four large factories into soap, glycerine and the residuum used for feed for livestock.

WOOD SHIPS ARE HANGING IN BALANCE

Jacksonville, Fla., Dec. 23. — Shipyards in the Fourth district, United States shipping board, wood ship production branch, comprising the states of Florida, Georgia, North Carolina and South Carolina, are now on a big drive which will determine the shipbuilding future in this section.

With official announcement from Chairman Edward N. Hurley, of the Shipping Board, that the future for shipbuilding absolutely depended upon the efficiency shown by the various yards, before them, officials are "weeding out" men not producing.

Now that the emergency need for bottoms has been relieved to some extent, it is pointed out that unless yards in the southeast can show that it is more economical to build wooden ships than composite or steel vessels, yard more accessible to iron mines possibly may be favored in the future. Whether wooden ships will be built

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PLAYS ALL RECORDS
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The Unselfish Gift

No other gift can bring such all-round pleasure to so many people as The Brunswick Phonograph. The entire family and all one's friends can participate in this enjoyment.

It is for this reason so many people choose The Brunswick as a Christmas gift—and why so many families "pool" their Christmas money; so that all gain far more satisfaction than in receiving small, individual presents.

The tendency this Christmas is "a worth while present for all" rather than "a knick-knack for each."

The Brunswick is an ideal choice. It will prove an ever-present delight for years to come. This super-phonograph plays all records as they should be played—the tone is superb. Hear it today. Decide early. Avoid the rush later.

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2 Loaves Krug's Bread 15c

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Steel Cut, Per Pound. Try a pound

TOMATOES 12c
Choice, Red Ripe Tomatoes.
Per Can, only

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For Monday and Tuesday only

JUST RECEIVED—CAR of ORANGES and APPLES for CHRISTMAS—Prices Reasonable.

Candies and Nuts

for Christmas. Special Prices to Sunday Schools and other organizations.

Fresh dressed Turkeys, Ducks, Geese and Chickens

FLOUR—OCEAN LIGHT, Sack	\$1.34	SAUER KRAUT—Silver Thread	4c
12 1-2 Pounk Sack	67c	FULL CREAM CHEESE	38c
GOLD MEDAL FLOUR, 12 1-2 lb Sack	72c	Pure Government Inspected Lard,	30c
		Per Pound	

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The E. W. Rose Co., Cleveland, O

In this district after the hulls now under construction are completed is not known. It was unofficially announced sometime ago that a number of "pet" yards would be eliminated from the shipping board's program. To date, however, only a few contracts have been cancelled.

There are 9 yards in the Fourth district constructing wooden ships. The first keel was laid August 31, 1917, by the American Shipbuilding corporation, Brunswick, Ga. Since then 23 ships have been launched—an approximate total of 80,500 tons.

Jacksonville has 4 yards under the shipping board—the Merrill-Stevens Shipbuilding corporation, St. John's River Ship Yard company, J. M. Mordock Shipbuilding company and the Morey-Thomas Shipbuilding company.

Two other yards here are building ships for private firms.

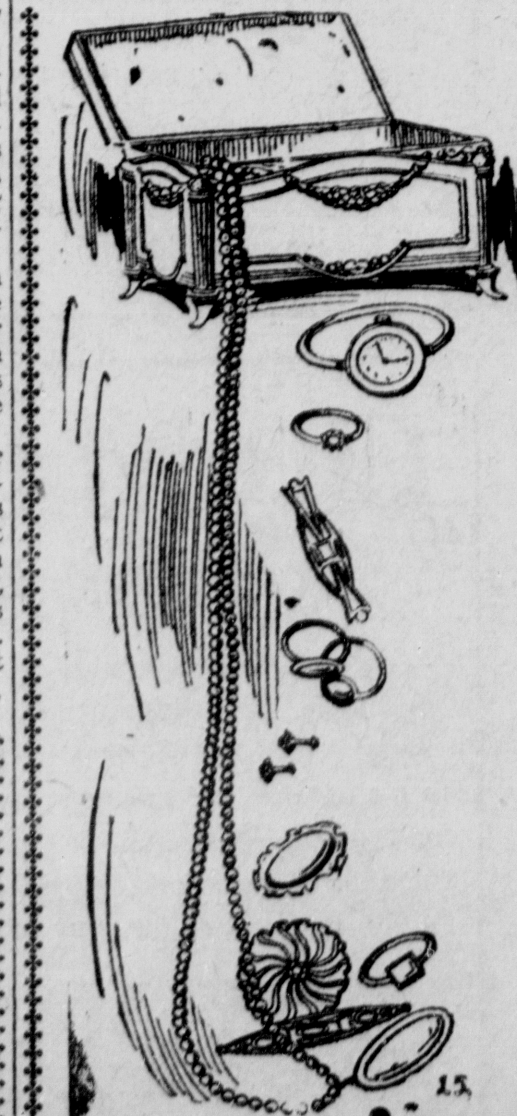
Savannah has had two yards—the National Shipbuilding company and the Terry Shipbuilding corporation. Both of these concerns are under contract with the shipping board.

At Tampa, the Tampa Lock company has shipping board contracts.

Brunswick, Ga., has two yards under contract with the shipping board—the United States Maritime corporation and the American Shipbuilding company.

To Cure a Cold in One Day

Take LAXATIVE BROMO QUININE (Tablets.) It stops the Cough and Headache and works off the Cold. E. W. GROVE'S signature on each box. 30c.



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**SUPPLY YOUR
WANTS
BY USING OUR
CLASSIFIED COLUMNS.**

DEMOCRATS WARNED THAT THEIR PARTY WILL BE WIPED OUT IF THEY PASS TAX BILL IN PRESENT FORM

Washington, Dec. 23.—Warning the Democrats that "they will be wiped off the map" if the revenue bill is passed in its present form, Senator Kenyon, Iowa, progressive Republican today bitterly attacked the finance committee for eliminating many of the luxury taxes, as provided in the house bill.

"You've been thrashed completely," said Kenyon, referring to the election, "and when you do this you'll be wiped off the map."

Kenyon said that instead of cutting down the tax, it would increase them.

"Do you want to send word through the country that we are protecting big business and levying taxes on those least able to bear them?" he asked. "When we are taxing about everything under the sun except the air we breathe, the taxes on luxuries are dropped," he said.

Senator Johnson, California, another progressive Republican, declared that \$2,000,000,000 taxes had been lost by not levying an 80 per cent tax on war profits in the 1917 bill.

Johnson insisted that we had been far more tender toward the big business than was England where a straight 80 per cent war tax was paid.

W. R. BAKER, PROMINENT XENIA CITIZEN, DIES MONDAY IN FLORIDA

William Raper Baker, former auditor of Greene county, a leading citizen and one time prominent business man of Xenia, died Monday forenoon at his summer home in Daytona, Fla.

His death was unexpected by relatives here. He had been in ill health for some time, but when he and Mrs. Baker went to their southern home a month ago, it was hoped that the climate at Daytona, would have the effect of helping him to resist the malady from which he was suffering. This it failed to do, and he grew worse. Mrs. Baker was at the bedside of her husband and telegraphed home, the news of his death.

Mr. Baker was a native of Greene county. He was born in Silvercreek township, one mile west of Jamestown, August 31, 1841, and was the son of John W. and Elizabeth Towell Baker. When the Civil War broke out, he was a lad of twenty years, and he enlisted in the service, early in the conflict. In October 1861 he became a member of Company A, Seventy-fourth Regiment, O. V. I., and served with that command for three years. He was given his honorable discharge at the end of that time, and his younger brother, Samuel, took his place in the company. During the period of his service, Mr. Baker was attached to the Army of the Cumberland, Fourteenth Army Corps, Second Division, and Third Brigade. He was an orderly at division headquarters when he was mustered out. He participated in many of the notable battles of the war and completed his active service, as an ambulance driver.

After returning home, Mr. Baker became a clerk in the retail grocery then conducted by the late H. H. Eavey, and two years later, in 1869 he bought a half interest in the business. Soon afterward the business was reorganized, Mr. Baker's brother-in-law, the late W. B. Harrison, buying his partner's interest. The firm then became Baker, Harrison and Company. Mr. Baker continued in this mercantile business until the fall of 1883, when he was elected to the office of county auditor.

Through successive re-elections, Mr. Baker was retained in office without opposition until 1896, when he refused to again become the candidate for his party, and retired from office. After leaving public life, he engaged for four years, in prospecting in the Scioto oil fields, but since that time has been living a retired life, giving his attention chiefly to the management of his farm in this county.

Mr. Baker was twice married. His first wife was Miss Anna Harrison, a sister of the late W. B. Harrison, whom he married March 1, 1876. To that union were born the two daughters, who survive their father, Mrs. Florence Baker Wickersham, wife of Frank Wickersham of Denver, Colo., and Mrs. Jessie Baker Chew, wife of James A. Chew, of this city.

The mother of his daughters died in October 1892 and September 12, 1905. Mr. Baker married Mrs. Agnes G. Harrison of this city, who survives him.

Mr. Baker was a member of the Church of Christ (Scientist) and he was prominently identified with the Masonic Order. Mrs. Baker will start for the north immediately, with the body of her husband, which will be brought here for interment.

RED CROSS DRIVE IS LAGGING IN CITY OF XENIA

The Red Cross drive for members is lagging in Xenia city and in a number of the towns of the county. Yellow Springs is keeping up her previous splendid record by doubling her membership. Miami township as a whole has exceeded the membership secured last year. Other townships which have thus far exceeded last year's membership are Silvercreek, Beaver Creek and New Jasper. The most of the others are lagging behind and the solicitors will have to get busy if the county is to do its duty in this great movement.

The total number of members reported to date in the county is only 3,140. This is only a little more than half the number secured in 1917 and is less than a fourth the number which should be secured this year. Xenia city to date has reported less than a thousand members.

It is up to the solicitors to get busy. The people of Xenia and of Greene county are willing to join this great organization but their membership will have to be solicited. While there are some who will hunt up the solicitors and enroll themselves as members the great majority will wait for the solicitors to see them. Therefore the committee in charge of the drive urges all solicitors, especially those in Xenia, to put forth every effort possible to see every one and get their membership.

NIX ON PRAYERS BY OLD KAISER BILL

Amerongen, Holland, Dec. 23.—The former Kaiser, it was learned today, made all preparations for uttering a few Yuletide prayers and making a pious oration at public services in Count Von Bentinck's castle. But the count intervened and called it off. As a result the services which will be held in the drawing room of the castle, will be attended mostly by servants.

Wilhelm is determined, however to play a sort of Santa Claus role, and has been out chopping down Christmas trees. He brought in three, which will be hung with sweets, German knickknacks and decorated with candles.

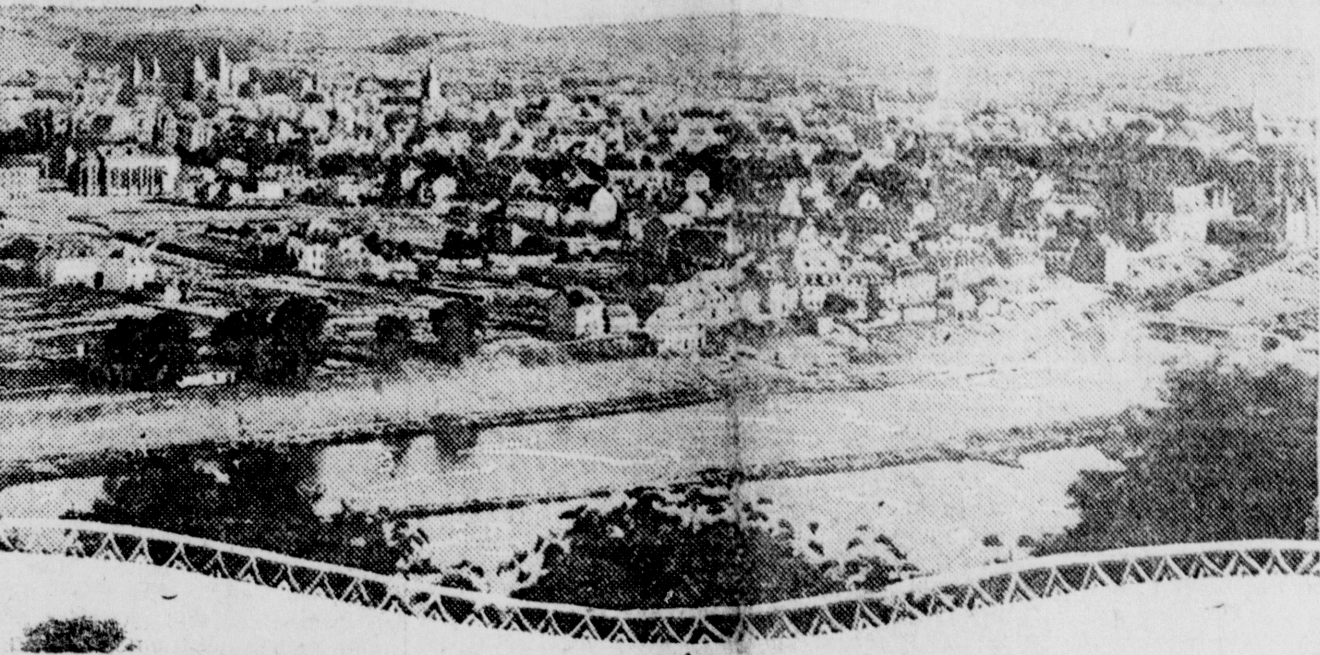
TURKEY BANKRUPT

Berlin, Dec. 22.—(Delayed)—Turkey will declare itself nationally bankrupt, according to a report received here today.

SALE DATES RESERVED

Dec. 27—Geo. A. Birch.
Dec. 28—S. M. Tanner.
Feb. 20—L. B. Stingley.

WHERE PRESIDENT WILL SPEND CHRISTMAS WITH THE SOLDIERS



Treves, where Wilson will spend Christmas with American army of occupation.

President Wilson has passed up innumerable invitations to spend Christmas with kings and other notables abroad and will spend the day and eat Christmas dinner with the American soldiers in the field.

According to announced plans he will leave Paris Christmas eve and go to Treves, the headquarters of the American army of occupation. It is made plain that Wilson will eat with the men in the ranks and not the officers. Treves is on the east bank of the Moselle river about fifty-five miles southwest of Coblenz. It is also about eight miles east of the Luxembourg border. It is the oldest city in Germany.

PRESIDENT WILSON WILL MAKE SPEECHES IN ENGLAND AND ITALY

BY ROBERT J. BENDER.

Paris, Dec. 23.—President Wilson, pursuing his policy of the freest discussion of peace covenants, will deal directly with the people of the allied countries. Thus will millions participate in the preliminary conference and make their influence felt at the Versailles congress.

To reach this vast audience, the president will make public speeches in England and Italy, it became known today, in addition to speaking through the medium of the press. He will pursue this course while conferring with the allied statesmen.

That President Wilson already is getting the ear of the allied peoples is indicated by the hundreds of letters he has received from all classes, expressing sympathy with his policies and promising him support.

During his first week in Paris, the president made three speeches and gave an interview to the press, all of which were intended for public consumption.

He has given the heartiest approval to plans for him to speak direct to the people in industrial communities, and elsewhere, in England, and to a similar program for his trip to Italy.

While in England he will also confer with British statesmen.

The president believes such a course will clarify the American position and make plain America's peace aims. He is confident that by this means he can show the people that the American program will be developed so as to assure a just peace for all.

This program, he believes, will lead quickest to such a settlement as America hopes for.

While in Italy, the president will call upon King Emmanuel and Pope Benedict, and will visit the Methodist college.

NECESSARY AS TWO STEERING WHEELS ON "TIN LIZZIE"

Columbus, Dec. 23.—Ohio's ten member board of agriculture is about as essential as two steering wheels on a Ford, said State Auditor Donahay in a scorching criticism of the way \$4,031,058 of state funds were spent for agriculture last year. A thorough probe is advocated.

"The investigation would show," Donahay says, "that enough can be saved out of the \$1,000,000 to furnish free hog serum, fungicide, insecticide and analysis of soils and minerals for all who want it. Half the money goes to pay salaries and traveling expenses."

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ACCUSED GIRL IS GIVEN LIBERTY ALLEGED MURDERER ENDS LIFE IN CELL

Geneseo, N. Y., Dec. 23.—The case against Gladys Webster, 19 year old mother accused of having poisoned her father-in-law, collapsed in court here today when the District Attorney suggested that she be given her liberty.

The proceedings were brought to an end and the girl freed.

The sensational ending was fitting to the sensational nature of the charge. Mrs. Webster was accused of putting poison in milk which was given to Ford Webster, her father-in-law because of pure hatred.

MONTENEGRO AND SERBIA TO UNITE

Amsterdam, Dec. 13.—Union of Montenegro with Serbia has been officially proclaimed by the Montenegrin Skupschitina (parliament), a Belgrade dispatch announced today.

In response to the denial of King Nicholas that he had been dethroned, the newspaper Samou Prava publishes an official statement, declaring that the national assembly which met at Podgoritz was elected by a majority of the people.

"The former king, by his flight from the country, has flung away his crown and we have broken all relations with him," the statement said.

DOCTOR KUNO NAMED

London, Dec. 23.—Doctor Kuno has been appointed managing director of the Hamburg-American steamship line, succeeding the late Albert Ballin, according to a Central News dispatch from Copenhagen.

UNIVERSITY MAN DEAD

Chicago, Dec. 23.—Prof. George B. Foster, head of department of religion, Chicago University, is dead.

EUGENE DEBS IS POPPING OFF AGAIN

Canton, Ohio, Dec. 23.—George Washington and Thomas Jefferson were termed the Bolsheviks of their time by Eugene V. Debs in a speech in the city auditorium, yesterday.

Debs repeated his praise of the Bolsheviks of Russia and Germany, declaring the former have founded the world's first real democracy.

He bitterly scored Samuel Gompers, saying:

"We don't want the unionism of a man like Gompers, who is received with honor by the crowned heads of Europe, but Americans like Haywood."

J. A. Wagenknecht, state secretary, also talked.

SCHWAB BOOMED FOR PRESIDENT

Chicago, Dec. 23.—Seven hundred and fifty machinery club members launch presidential boom for Charles M. Schwab at banquet here.

APPEAL FOR AID.

Chicago, Dec. 23.—Two thousand Irish, cable President Wilson second appeal within two days for aid in cause of Irish self-determination.

ANNOUNCES HE WILL RESIGN AS PREMIER

Zurich, Dec. 2.—Count Karolyi, addressing the Hungarian cabinet Saturday, announced his intention to resign as premier, a Budapest dispatch received today declared.

Previous dispatches have quoted Karolyi as declaring that the lack of cohesion of the various political factions, together with the food and economic situation, would eventually compel him to abandon control of the government.

HAD A NICE TIME

Columbus, Dec. 23.—Burglars entered the home of Alfred E. Jones, cut telephone wires, ate breakfast, and stole \$500 sealskin coat.

HEAD OF ARMISTICE COMMISSION INJURED

Paris, December 23.—General Rhodes, head of the American Armistice Commission, was severely injured, and his pilot killed, in an airplane accident, in the outskirts of Paris today.

ITALY DECORATES 36,718 SOLDIERS

Rome, Dec. 1.—(By Mail.)—In one day recently there were conferred on soldiers in the Italian army 36,718 medals for valor, representing acts of heroism that had taken place at the front during several months previous.

Of the 36,718 medals, nearly 7,000 were awarded to the memory of soldiers who had lost their lives in the deed of heroism that had merited the distinction, the medal in this case going to their families. The other 30,000 were given to soldiers who had survived their heroic acts.

Of the total number 130 were gold medals which were given almost exclusively to men who had lost their lives in performing the act of heroism; 13,000 of the medals were of silver and the remainder bronze.

As is invariably the case most of these decorations went to the infantry and especially to the specialist troops such as the grenade throwers, bersaglieri or sharpshooters and Alpini.

The decorations conferred during this single day represents only a small percentage of all the recognitions that have been won by Italian soldiers and conferred on them during the war.

FINAL CHAPTER IN ROMANCE IS WRITTEN

Possibly the final chapter in the romance of Errol Rayburn, and his 15 year old bride, Mildred Dever Rayburn, was written Monday morning when Judge C. H. Kyle annulled the marriage between the youthful pair. The young bride and her father, Noah Dever, were the only persons called to testify. The young girl said that she and her boy husband told the clerk who issued them the license in Newport, Ky., that they were 21 years old.

Judge Kyle advised the little girl to wait until she was 18 years old, and if she and young Rayburn had the same feeling for each other, a marriage between them would be all right.

WHITE XMAS MAYBE

Chicago, Dec. 23.—White Christmas predicted for this territory.

AGED WOMAN ENDS LIFE

Chicago, Dec. 23.—Mrs. Theodosia Smith, 66, suicided.

KILLS WIFE WITH BROOMSTICK

New York, Dec. 23.—Patrick Quinn, charged with homicide is alleged to have killed his wife with a broomstick while intoxicated.

GRAY MAY BE NAMED

Washington, Dec. 23.—Ex-president Earl R. Gray of Western Maryland Railroad is reported to be slated as successor to Director General of Railroads McAdoo.

HUN SEAMEN UNABLE TO RESIST COIN CALL

Amsterdam, Dec. 23.—Although Admiral Beatty, commander of the British grand fleet, is trained from requiring the delivery of the German submarine U-9, with which Commander Weddigen torpedoed and sank three British cruisers, out of consideration for the "glorious record" of his boat, says the Cologne Volks Zeitung, the submarine was delivered to the British because the German crew was unwilling to forego the opportunity of earning the 500 marks promised to each man for taking the boat to England.

CHRISTMAS WILL SPEND CHRISTMAS IN THE CALABOOSE

New York, Dec. 23.—Billy Christmas will spend the holiday playing dominoes with the Warden, or in some similar pursuit. The New York police today admitted they have under arrest the notorious swindler who has stolen thousands of dollars by means of forged travelers checks on a Canadian bank.

His arrest establishes without question the innocence of Alexander P. Macaulay, arrested after one of Billy's escapades two years ago, and who spent a fortune in trying to clear himself of the charge that he was the famous crook. Macaulay, a Toronto broker, was arrested in New York while the police were searching for the Christmas swindler, and he was positively identified as Billy Christmas.

Macaulay's release followed a re-appearance of the annual frauds. He subsequently sued several New York firms for large sums for their mistaken identification of himself.

LANSING OFFICIALLY DENIES THE REPORT

Paris, Dec. 23.—Secretary Lansing today officially denied that the American peace delegation had decided to advocate sinking the surrendered German warships. The proposition, he declared, has not even been discussed.

The United Press asked the secretary about the truth of the report, during a conference with the American correspondents.

"Is it true the American commission has decided to advocate sinking the German warships?" was the question put to him.

"No," he replied, "We haven't decided anything. The proposition has not even been discussed."

SOUTH AMERICA WANTS HUN FLEET

Washington, Dec. 23.—South America would like to get some or all of the surrendered German fleet, according to reports here today. Some of the countries are anxious to increase their naval strength and to have a share in the proposed international fleet larger than they would with their present sea power.

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Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Toms of Fairfield, have received a letter from their son, David Edmund Toms of the Marines, in which he told them that he was wounded in the fighting which took place the last week of the war, and is in a base hospital in France.

This was the second wound received by him.

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FORMER AMERICAN AMBASSADOR TO GREAT BRITAIN PASSES AWAY

Pinehurst, N. C., Dec. 23.—Walter Hines Page, who resigned last August as ambassador to Great Britain because of ill health, is dead here. His health began to fail nearly a year ago and he gave up his post as American representative at the court of St. James late in the summer.

Dr. Page returned to the United States on October 13 and he was moved directly from the steamer to a hospital in New York. For a time his condition showed improvement, but late in November he suffered a relapse. Early this month he rallied and 10 days ago was brought to Pinehurst. For a while he seemed to grow stronger, but suffered a second relapse last Thursday.

Mr. Page was editor of the magazine, The World's Work, and a member of the publishing firm of Doubleday, Page & Co., of Garden City, L. I., when in March, 1913, President Wilson appointed him American ambassador to Great Britain.

The President's selection of an editor said an author for this post elicited favorable comment in Great Britain where Dr. Page was referred to as a "scholar-diplomat" and his appointment was characterized as an interesting experiment. His selection was considered in some British circles as a compliment to the good sense of the British people who, it was stated, preferred a man of personality and achievement as American ambassador rather than a man of wealth capable of giving lavish and expensive entertainments.

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LOCAL ITEMS

Fred W. O'Dea is convalescing from an attack of appendicitis in a base hospital at Brest, France, according to word received by his family. He recovered without being obliged to undergo an operation. Mr. O'Dea recently completed his course of instruction in a radio school, and passed successfully, but he was unable to attend the banquet which was held by the class in celebration of their graduation as he was then ill in the hospital.

Carving Sets—at Babb means Best. adv.12-24

Mrs. Carl O. Nybladh, of Galesburg, Ill., arrived in Xenia, Saturday night to spend the holiday season with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Trader.

Flashlights—at Babb means Best. adv.12-24

John B. Tiffany of Akron, is the guest of his brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Owen Tiffany of west Third street, for Christmas. His sister, Mrs. Sallie Kline, of Akron, is expected to arrive today.

Look for your Xmas presents at Engelman's. It will pay you. adv

Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Quarles of Columbus, formerly of this city, are receiving congratulations over the birth of a daughter, Thursday, Dec. 20.

The Ford service of the Xenia Oil Company was badly damaged Saturday afternoon when it was struck head-on by the Lyssander Peterson cattle truck, driven by Cleveland Bobbitt. The machine collided on Cincinnati avenue near the Hoover & Allison company, and it was thought the accident was due to loose control on the heavy truck. The Ford car was taken to the W. A. Kelly Ford agency for repairs. The front end of the machine was badly smashed and the axle and radius rod bent.

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Wike have gone to Toledo to spend the holidays with Mrs. Wike's mother, Mrs. M. B. Kendig.

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WEATHER REPORT

Monday fair and colder; Tuesday probably snow.

Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Landaker and son Wm. Lawrence of Indianapolis, arrived in Xenia Saturday evening to spend the holidays with Dr. and Mrs. W. H. Finley.

GET IT AT DONGES. adv

Members of the New Jasper Council, J. O. U. A. M. are requested to be present, Thursday night, Dec. 26. Important business.

Dr. A. C. Messenger has received a supply of the influenza serum made according to the formula of Dr. Rosenow of the Mayo Foundation. The recent discovery of this formula, which was tested at the Mayo clinics, attracted much attention in the medical world.

The funeral of Lawrence Keiter will be held Tuesday morning, with short services at the home on the Ludlow road at 10 o'clock, and at the grave in Woodland. The casket will be uncovered at the cemetery. Rev. Tapp of Beaver Reformed church will be in charge. There is no illness now in the Keiter family, Mrs. Keiter and the children being well.

Pocket knives—at Babb means Best. adv.12-24

Mr. C. E. Arbogust will join his wife at her old home in Louisville, going there to spend the Christmas season.

If you can't decide—give him a Criterion Gift Certificate. adv.12-23

Miss Dena Powell arrived home Saturday from Springfield, and will spend the holidays with her parents at Old Town.

George Sugden has been discharged from the army at Camp Taylor, and has joined Mrs. Sugden at the home of her parents, Dr. and Mrs. George Anderson, at Alpha.

Let us tell you about our free sale bill proposition. Call at this office.

The condition of James H. Lloyd, well known young contractor, who is critically ill of complications, following pneumonia, was a little improved Monday morning.

Mrs. Laura Alexander will go to Cincinnati Christmas, to spend two weeks on a visit with relatives.

For his Christmas a Gift Certificate from The Criterion, issued for any amount redeemable any time. adv.12-23

The Mullen barber shop will be open Xmas eve until 11 o'clock and will be closed all day Christmas day. 12-24

The Sunday school party at Trinity church, Monday evening, at 7:30, promises to be one of delight and gladness. Just an old-fashioned Christmas tree with a social good time for the Sunday school and its friends. Christmas gifts in money will be brought for the orphan children of Bible lands. Let all the school and its friends come and be glad and help to make glad the children in the land where Christ was born and in the lands of Bible story.

Dance at K. of P. hall tonight. Good music. adv.

Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Hurley of Hill street have as their guests, Mr. and Mrs. Claud Grass (Lola Lacey) of New Castle, Ind., who are on their honeymoon. Mrs. Grass is a niece of Mrs. Hurley.

Subscriptions and renewals to other publications will be accepted this year as usual at the Gazette and Republican office. We can make club prices on any magazines published, thus saving you time and money. 12-31

James Robinson of Detroit, Mich., is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. William Finley of South Detroit street.

James Paullin of Camp Sherman, is spending an eight days' furlough at his home in this city.

Harold Fetz, who has been in an eastern camp, arrived Saturday at Camp Sherman, to await his discharge.

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Mrs. Jno. Bruce of Orange street is convalescent after an attack of influenza.

Private Harry L. Hilliard of Call Field, Texas, is home on a ten day furlough.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles A. Smith of Harlem, Montana, arrived here today for a visit of several weeks with his brother, Frank P. Smith and family of the Clark's Run neighborhood, and other relatives. This is the first time they have been here in 21 years.

The McDonald homestead, corner of Third and Galloway streets, (No. 138 West Third street) will be sold at public sale at the west door of the court-house, Saturday, December 28th, at ten o'clock, A. M. Property appraised at \$6,100. The keys to house at the law office of W. F. Trader, 5 Allen Building. 12-27

Mrs. L. K. Sone of New York City has returned home after spending a month in Xenia, the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. J. Graham, of West Church street.

Mrs. William L. Ekin of Logansport, Ind., is the guest of relatives for the holidays. Mr. Ekin will spend Tuesday and Wednesday in Xenia.

Wanted—To rent a house or apartment of at least six rooms, Jesse Johnson, 259 North King St., Bell 677W. adv

Silverware—at Babb means Best. adv.12-24

Mrs. Anna Rossiter of East Church street, will spend the holidays with relatives in Dayton and Indianapolis.

Percolators—at Babb means Best. adv.12-24

Mrs. Harriett Swabb, Miss Mary Swabb and E. E. Lighthizer, went to Middletown, Monday to attend the funeral of Mrs. Frank Kline, a sister of Mrs. Swabb and half sister of Mr. Lighthizer, who died unexpectedly last Friday. Mrs. Kline's maiden name was Jane Starr and she spent her early life in this county. She is survived by her husband and four children.

Manicure Sets—at Babb means Best. adv.12-24

Hundreds of useful gifts to select from for every member of the family at C. A. Kelble's store. 12-23

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Davis and their little daughter, Norma, of Bellbrook avenue, are confined to their beds with influenza. Mrs. Jas. Hubbard, Mrs. Davis' mother, was also taken ill while nursing the Davis family. Mrs. Ada Zimmerman, of Detroit, arrived this morning to nurse the sick.

Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Bradford have arrived here from Chicago, where Mr. Bradford, attends the Chicago Art Institute, and will spend the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. John Bradford of this city, and Mr. and Mrs. Joshua Brown of the Cincinnati pike.

Mr. Joshua Oglesbee of West Third street, was stricken by paralysis, Sunday, and is in a very critical condition. He had been in ill-health for a long time.

Notice, Christmas shoppers. C. A. Kelble's Clothing and Shoe Store will be open tonight and tomorrow night until 9:30 o'clock. 12-23

Miss Matilda Evers, who is a Red Cross nurse in the military hospital at Waynesville, N. C., has arrived home on a ten days' furlough. Soldiers convalescent from effects of gassing are being treated at the hospital, where Miss Evers is situated, and which is located in the mountains.

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Friends of Andy Haninger, who has been confined to his home by illness for the last seven weeks, were glad to welcome him Sunday, when he was able to walk out from his home. Mr. Haninger's health is very much improved.

Don't miss C. A. Kelble's big store when out Christmas shopping. 12-23

Mrs. Kathryn Stephenson Collins, wife of Dr. J. R. Collins, is very low of influenza at her home in Kentville, Nova Scotia, according to a telegram received Monday morning by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Stephenson of Yellow Springs. The first word concerning her illness was received by her parents last Saturday.

Little John Espey, baby son of Dr. and Mrs. Paul Espey, is critically ill of pneumonia. The baby was believed to be passing through the crisis in his illness, Monday. Dr. Espey's parents from Rising Sun, Ind., are at their son's home.

Look at C. A. Kelble's store for largest assortment of house slippers, 49c, 89c, \$1.25, \$1.49, \$1.98, \$2.49. 12-23

Private James Paullin, who is connected with the adjutant's detachment, headquarters company, which is working, discharging troops at Camp Sherman, is at his home here on an eight day furlough. He does not expect to be discharged before the middle of January.

If you want to give a Christmas basket to some poor family, call the Social Service League for a name.

If you are going to give a Christmas basket to some poor family, report to the League to avoid duplications.

Rev. George S. Macaulay, who has been in France for a year as a Y. M. C. A. secretary, is expected home Tuesday morning. A telegram was received from him saying that he reached New York Saturday night. Rev. A. G. MacLennan of Yellow Springs, who accompanied him home, was met in New York by Mrs. MacLennan, and they will go on to Nova Scotia to spend Christmas with relatives, and to be present at the marriage of Roy MacLennan's sister.

Xenia has never had such a large selection of Christmas goods as you will find in C. A. Kelble's store. 12-23

POLICE COURT

Four plain drunk cases were arranged before Police Judge E. Dawson Smith in the usual lively Monday morning session in police court. William Watkins, Amanda, Thomas, Solomon Ewing and Homer Wade, all arrested for plain drunk, were each fined \$1 and costs.

George Cartwright, white, was arrested on the charge of stealing two beef steaks and a blanket from an automobile on the streets Saturday and was given 30 days in the work house and \$25 and costs by Judge Smith. Cartwright was arrested on suspicion when it was found he had the stolen goods in his possession and he confessed that he stole them from an automobile. As yet the police have been unable to find the owner, as Cartwright did not go to the trouble of learning the name of his victim.

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THEATERS

BIJOU

George Walsh has his usually delightful role and plot in the Fox picture "On the Jump," which played at the Bijou theater Tuesday. The offering shows this versatile star as a newspaper reporter who runs into more live-wire adventures than is usually crammed into the mortal existence of one man. From reporter to secret service man, applicant for the tank-corps, Liberty Bond salesman, and again reporter, are some of the various jobs that keep him on the jump, through the entire picture.

Mildred Harris, pretty little wife of the comedian, Charlie Chaplin, plays at the Bijou Wednesday and Thursday in "For Husbands Only" a much-talked of production of Lois Weber's. Miss Weber has turned her mind to the production of amusement pictures of the finest quality and this, her latest effort, has been talked of more than any of her pictures.

ORPHIUM

That charming matinee idol, Earle Williams, is centering the lime-light at the Orphium for the Christmas Eve program, appearing in the Vitagraph picture "The Man Who Wouldn't Tell." The production has an interesting and curiosity arousing name and is quite as interesting as its sounds.

Williams is supported by Grave Darmond, Charles Spear and Edward Cecil. To give just an inkling of what it is all about it is enough to say that Williams plays the part of a British Secret Service man in America.

William Fraver has arrived home from Camp Sheridan for an over Christmas furlough.

'SYRUP OF FIGS' IS CHILD' LAXATIVE

Look at tongue! Remove poisons from stomach, liver and bowels



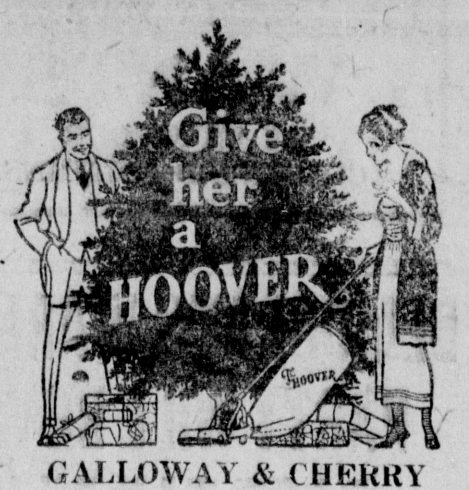
Accept "California" Syrup of Figs only—look for the name California on the package, then you are sure your child is having the best and most harmless laxative or physic for the little stomach, liver and bowels. Children love its delicious fruity taste. Full directions for child's dose on each bottle. Give it without fear.

REORGANIZATION OF ARMY STARTED

Washington, Dec. 21—Reorganization of the U. S. Army on permanent lines has been started.

Major General Charles T. Menoher, formerly commander of the Rainbow division and later leader of the six corps, has been named by Chief of Staff March, as director of the air services.

Menoher is now on his way home but pending his arrival Col. John James A. Morris will be acting director of the service.



BABB Means BEST

To Our Friends and Customers--

For the first time in five years the Natal Day of the PRINCE of PEACE has not been blasphemed by bloodshed and the shriek of shrapnel. Let us, as Americans, live and labor for the future in concord and affection.

May yours be a MERRY CHRISTMAS and may the NEW YEAR bring to each one of you the fullest measure of health, happiness and prosperity.

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NOTICE RETAIL DRUGGISTS NO MORE VAPORRUB DIRECT BUY IT FROM YOUR JOBBER

Effective Immediately. No More Direct Shipments Will Be Made Retailers. All Shipments Now Go to Jobbers for Redistribution.

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This was costly, but it solved the problem for the time being. Now, however, we find that these small shipments are constantly increasing—we have received as many as 1,306 in a single mail. It is becoming impossible for us to fill these promptly, and instead of distributing our goods more quickly, they are really slowing up the process.

We believe that we can serve you better now by reverting to our former policy of shipping exclusively through the jobber, and, effective immediately, no more drop shipments will be made.

While we have put on a night shift and have, thereby, about doubled our production, we are still unable to fill our back orders and won't be able to give each jobber all the VapoRub he wants. Hence, it will be necessary for the jobbers to continue distributing VapoRub in small lots only. But we will be able to furnish each jobber at least twice the quantity of VapoRub that he purchased for the corresponding month last year, so there should not be any difficulty in your getting your pro rata share.

We feel that the public appreciates the service that the retail and wholesale drug trade have rendered the country in this time of stress. We wish to express to both branches of the trade our thanks for the kind co-operation extended us in our efforts to meet this emergency.

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Between now and Christmas but One More Shopping Day "DONGES"

Suggests that you no longer delay your shopping
Our stock is yet quite complete. There are to be had

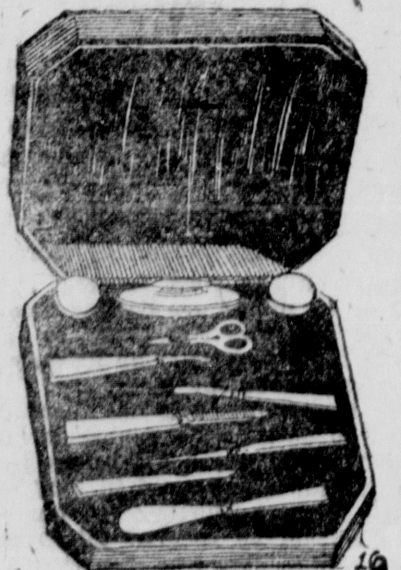
Manicure sets at \$1.00 and up
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Some in Ebony. Some in White Ivory.
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A few in Real Ebony and White Ivory.
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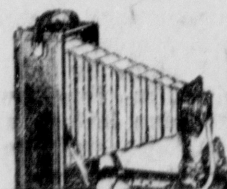
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Triangle 5 reel thrilling drama of underworld featuring Pauline Starke, Casson Ferguson, Dick Rosson and an all star cast. The sweetest story ever told.

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TWO—BIG FEATURES—TWO

TUESDAY NIGHT

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William Fox, five reel comedy drama, featuring George Walsh and a superb cast.

George climbs an anchor chain, seizes a ship, fights a whole crew, swims for his life, rides a horse bareback and nothing happens while he's "On the Jump." The only tumble he takes is when he falls in love.

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Coming, Wednesday and Thursday,
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"FOR HUSBANDS ONLY"

Lois Weber's tantalizing photo drama starring Mildred Harris, now Mrs. Charlie Chaplin.—A big dramatic treat for the whole family.

"JUNK" WAS THE MISSING WORD

Nearly everyone had the right answer for the Missing Word Contest this last week. Well, we just wanted to see how many contestants were wide awake and ready for business, for we made the word exceptionally easy on this account. The word left out was "JUNK," and was omitted from the Xenia Iron and Metal Co.'s ad, where it should read, magazines, metal and other junk, etc. etc.

We really thought that this easy one would be gotten by all of the real hunters, but that some of the indifferent ones would skip it was not surprising to us.

Now for this week we have a harder one, and all contestants will have to bend every effort to the task if they find it. The word starts with an I and ends with an E.

Now see if you can find this word, its hard, but some hunters will no doubt find it.

XMAS SERVICE AT BAPTIST CHURCH

The Christmas service, held Sunday morning, at First Baptist church, under the leadership of Mrs. Mary Munger Meredith, with Prof. Edmund Munger as organist, was very beautiful and inspiring.

The program rendered was as follows:

Anthem, "Let Us Go Even Unto Bethlehem,"

Hymn, "O Little Town of Bethlehem,"

Scripture: The passage read before House of Lords and House of Commons on day the armistice was signed. Isa. 61.

Solo, "Calm On the Listening Ear of Night," Miss Ruth Maley.

Duet, "The Lord's My Shepherd," Miss Donna Fudge and Miss McFadden.

Solo, "Jesus Only," Miss Harriett McCarty.

Hymn, "Hark, the Angels Sing," Anthem, "Arise, Shine for Thy Light is Come."

Sermon, "The Prince of Peace," Hymn, "The Answering Hills of Palestine."

The prevailing thought in this year's Christmas service was the peace brought to the human heart and to the world's need through the Son of God.

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Pape's Diapepsin at once, ends sourness, gas, acidity, indigestion.

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SHOWER IS GIVEN FOR BRIDE-ELECT

A delightful afternoon was spent at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Peterson, of near Bellbrook, Saturday afternoon, when a number of friends gave a miscellaneous shower for Miss Sarah Pavey McKinney, whose marriage to Mr. Harry Everett Guthrey will take place Tuesday, December 24.

After a delightful afternoon of music and social chat, dainty refreshments were served, the favors being sprigs of holly.

Those enjoying the occasion were: Misses Gladys and Mary Turner, Winifred Higgins, Gertrude Hess, May Wright, Bertha Purdon, Frances Wilson, Sarah Roberbaugh, Mary Higgins, bride-elect, Miss McKinney, and Mrs. G. F. Stutsman, Mrs. John Jobe, Mrs. Charles McKinney, Mrs. Carl McKinney, Mrs. Inez Jobe, Mrs. Fred Hoyle, Mrs. James Scammahorn, Mrs. Homer Thomas, Mrs. Homer Bond, and Mrs. Charles Kahle, all from near Bellbrook.

Other guests from a distance were: Mrs. Walter Wilson and daughter, Miss Frances, of Waynesville, and Mrs. Anna Oglesbee, Mrs. Elmer Compton, Mrs. Jesse Haynes and Mrs. William Mendenhall of New Burlington.

FUNERAL SERVICES FOR MRS. HENRY COX

Funeral services were held Monday morning at ten o'clock at Gladstone church for Mrs. Henry Cox, of Gladstone, who died Friday evening, after less than a week's illness of influenza and pneumonia.

Mrs. Cox was 42 years of age and was a member of Gladstone church. She is survived by her husband, and four daughters, Miss Goldie, a school teacher, Mrs. Eugene Leslie of near Gladstone and Misses Hazel and Dorothy Fay at home. Mrs. Leslie and Dorothy Fay are ill at the present time of influenza.

The funeral services were held in charge of Rev. J. F. Gordon of Jamestown. Burial was made at Milledgeville.

BIRTHDAY PARTY

Quite an event was a delightful affair, given in honor of Bertha Hyman's tenth birthday anniversary at the home of her parents, on East Market street, Saturday afternoon. Fifteen invited guests, schoolmates and girl friends, honored the occasion by their presence, each striving to render the affair one of merriment and pleasure. The rooms were handsomely decorated and Mrs. Hyman, the charming hostess, with her wonted hospitality and innate desire to make others happy, added greatly to the enjoyment of the assembled guests. The brilliantly lighted dining room, the beautifully decked table, lavishly supplied with delicious "sweets," surrounded by sixteen sweet, happy girls, was a charming sight, one which will linger in the memory of the participants.

The celebrant was the recipient of many beautiful presents which were highly appreciated.

Those present were: Florence Chew, Henrietta Monroe, Anna Louise Jones, Maude Winn Monroe, Sarah Engelman, Pauline Sutton, Margaret Jewett, Nancy Jane Gardner, Virginia Heathman, Jane Hayward, Mildred Hyman, Josephine John, Nannette Friedman, Thelma Wagner, Helen Reutinger and Bertha Hyman.

EAST END NEWS

Mrs. Mary E. Mosell of Baltimore, grandmother to Mrs. Ella Lee, has arrived here to spend the winter with Mrs. Lee. She will be much comfort to Mrs. Lee, whose husband, Prof. B. F. Lee, Jr., is in the Y. M. C. A. work. The camp at which Prof. Lee is stationed has been made permanent and he will be retained in the army, at an advanced salary.

Private Wade Allen is here on a 30 day furlough, to visit his wife and new born son. He is being treated at No. 3, U. S. Hospital, at Long Branch, N. J., for gun shot wound of the left forearm.

St. John's A. M. E. choir rehearsal tonight at eight o'clock. All members are urged to be present.

St. John's A. M. E. Sunday school will have an entertainment and a Christmas treat, Tuesday evening. All persons having presents please bring them to the church and put them in the post office and have them distributed by Postmaster Mr. James Peters and his assistant, Mr. Nathaniel Seurry. Those expecting a treat will have to be present. No admission fee.

Weaver Smith, the five year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Smith of 1003 E. Second street, died this morning at five o'clock. Funeral tomorrow afternoon at 2:30, from the undertaking parlors of Johnson and Harris.

The sixteen months old boy of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Anderson of East Main street, died this morning at 6:30 o'clock, from pneumonia. Funeral will be held Tuesday.

The Xmas celebration at Zion Baptist church, Wednesday P. M., is expected to be an unusually good entertainment. The full program will appear in tomorrow's paper. Please come on time.

Wise Man Is Patient.

A physician is not angry at the temperance of a mad patient, nor does he take it ill to be rallied at by a man in a fever. Just so should a wise man treat all mankind, as a physician treats a patient, and look upon them only as sick and extravagant.—Seneca.

Really good value. Mrs. Austin's Famous Buckwheat. A good big package for a quarter.

CHILDREN IN NEW YORK CITY ARE STARVING

New York, Dec. 23.—Aroused by reports that, with Christmas approaching, East Side children are "fainting in school rooms and dying at home from hunger" because their parents cannot pay the prevailing high prices for milk and staple foods, representative citizens today organized a committee to "feed them first and investigate afterward."

A plea that something be done for her pupils, who were "slowly starving to death," was made recently by a teacher to Joseph S. Markus, a banker, who now heads the relief organization. Mr. Markus himself visited schools, hospitals and tenements, and today issued a statement, dealing with conditions on the East Side.

One settlement, he said, has the names of 150 babies who, recovering from influenza, now face death from pneumonia because their parents cannot buy milk to restore them to health. Every hospital in the district, he continued, knows hundreds more underfed children, many of whom are physically unable to continue their studies.

Of this visit to one school, he said: "In one room there were 22 children. A ragman would not have paid five cents for all the clothing they wore. Many had no undergarments, and those who did could hardly call them by that name. Many were without shoes and others had heelless and soleless ones."

"We learned most of them came there without any breakfast. Some kind people were giving the teacher a little money every week, and with that she purchased some milk and cereals, preparing gruel over a small stove in the room. She said with the high cost of milk now she was not able to buy much, and that several of the children had fainted right there in the classroom. Others were too weak to leave home and died there. Malnutrition was the cause—starvation."

Gosh!

While a Toledo man was shooting bedbugs in his room, a bullet glanced and wounded his roommate. We have roomed in other towns where you had to go after the bedbugs with a hammer or a baseball bat, but we'd hate to room in Toledo, where you have to go after 'em with a gun.

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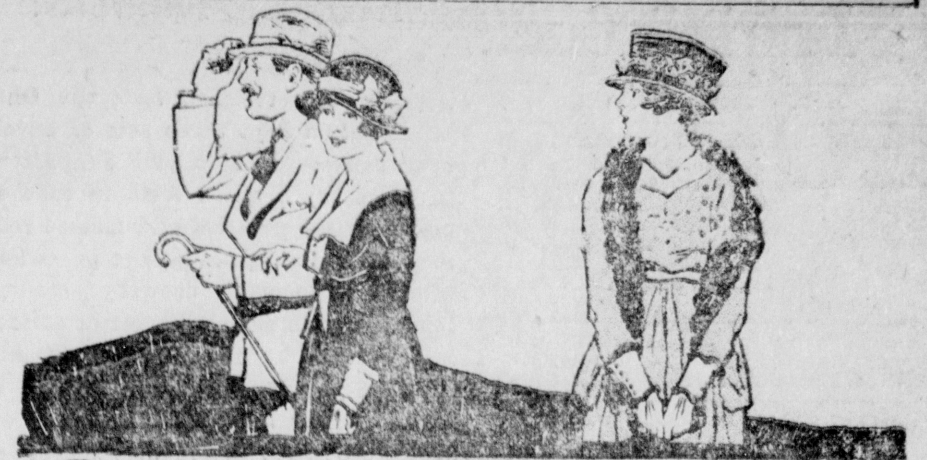
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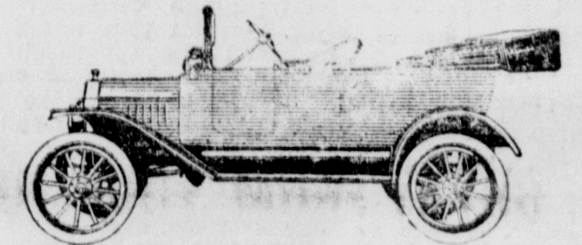
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J. P. CHEW, EDITOR.

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"CHRISTMAS GIFT."

Have times changed, or have you and I changed? Don't you remember, when we were young what fun it was, on Christmas morning, to "catch" each other by being first to cry "Christmas gift?" How we would avoid being "caught" by dodging hither and yon, and springing on the other fellow? Why it was as good as playing blind man's buff after supper. But possibly, this was mostly among the young folks—for youth is the gay and pleasant spring of life, when joy is stirring in the dancing blood.

And, don't you remember when we were young, how simple seemed the means to satisfy us in the way of Christmas gift—the ginger-cake horse, the twisted doughnuts and perhaps an orange. These would not figure largely with the youth of today, when a diamond ring or a wrist watch are very common affairs. But times have changed—and some of us are back numbers.

This brings us to the general subject of Christmas gifts. Come to think of it—did you ever think of it—the significance of giving presents on Christmas? Perhaps it is primarily based on Paul's expression alluding to the first Christmas, "Thanks be unto God for His unspeakable gift." And incidentally to the act of the wise men, who had seen his star in the East and following it came to Bethlehem, in the land of Judea, "and when they were come into the house, they saw the young child with Mary, his mother, and fell down and worshipped him; and when they had opened their treasures, they presented him gifts, gold and frankincense, and myrrh."

At all events this is good enough authority for glad some hearts to follow—so that in giving presents on Christmas we are symbolizing a double thanksgiving, one of gratitude to God for the gift of His only begotten son for the redemption of a lost world, and another of love to our friends because we want them to know our esteem for them by these remembrances.

Some of these friends may be far away. You realize how many people are thinking and remembering their absent loved ones when you stand in line at the post office parcel post window to get yours off for perhaps Florida or California. And how much of love is wrapped in the package, no one knows, but the giver and receiver. Precious moments these to the two—and who knows which has the most joy, she who gives or she who receives.

And how much the world is indebted for that first "unspeakable gift." To it the world owes for every church, every Sunday school, every hospital and every asylum, every missionary society, every impulse of every man to be a "neighbor" to his fellow man in time of need. Today, from the lips of Christ the call comes to all in behalf of the needy, "inasmuch as ye have done it unto the least of these ye have done it unto me." No man is to be the judge in this case, but God and your own conscience.

GIVING DAYS.

A young business man and his wife who have just given \$5,000 to the Centenary cause in Syracuse, had just managed a few years ago, to save \$1,500, which they planned to use for the purchase of an automobile.

One night a foreign missionary spoke at their church, pointing out the need of funds to carry on the great work which he described. The young husband and wife gave their hard-earned savings of \$1,500 to the cause of missionary work. The following week a big feed concern announced that it would give a \$2,000 automobile as a prize to the salesman or dealer who sold the most carloads of their feed during the season. It is not hard for the reader to guess who won this prize.

Shortly afterward the pastor of his church asked him if he ever regretted the sacrifice of that \$1,500.

"Most certainly not," was the answer. "I believe that if I hadn't given that \$1,500 I never would have owned a \$2,000 auto nor had the satisfaction of knowing that there was one more church in China. I am just as sure that I wouldn't have won the prize without the Lord's help. I never was lucky anyway—until then."

PATRIOTIC BREWERS!

Mr. Percy Andrae, agent of the brewers, has testified how the Ohio organization kept three sets of envelopes addressed to 150,000 supporters in order to do quick work in case of necessity for political or business reasons. The foreign-language press has been kept busy by brewery money. Some English dailies have run editorials written by brewery agents and received pay for the space. Miss I. T. Martin, while being employed by the brewers at \$300 per month, succeeded through hypocrisy in getting herself elected secretary of a prohibition conference of Catholics in New York and destroyed their records which were hurtful to the brewers' influence over that backward church. Because Mr. H. P. Heinz was elected president of the Pennsylvania Sabbath School Association at a convention which also passed a temperance resolution, his "fifty-seven varieties" were ordered boycotted by circulars sent through the mails of thousands of wet consumers. Business men dealing with brewers had to buy a special kind of stamp from them, the sale of which amounted to \$136,194.01, within eight months, a neat sum spent to buy negro votes and pay for wet agitators in labor unions!

"THE WIFE"

BY JANE PHELPS

BRIAN'S LETTER DISTURBS RUTH.

CHAPTER CXXI.

"Dear Ruth," Brian had written. I was delighted to receive your letter. Keep your aunt with you. She will be company for you, and keep you from getting lonely. It's great to be over here, Ruth—great to be able to fight for the country you love. And the women are wonderful! I realize it more every day. Mollie King is here, doing nursing. I see her often. It helps to keep me out of mischief. One has much idle time, just now, but later when I get into the fighting line, I shan't find time dragging. I can scarcely wait. It is too bad you couldn't have come over with me. But of course that would have meant giving up your position, even if wives were allowed—which they are not."

There was much more, but Ruth scarcely knew what she was reading. "Mollie King is here, doing nursing. I see her often. It helps to keep me out of mischief." Those short sentences which told so little, yet, to Ruth, implied so much, she read over and over.

"He sees her often. SHE keeps him out of mischief," Ruth muttered aloud. Then: "What mischief could he get into half as bad as being with her?"

Really Ruth was enormously miserable over that letter. She had skipped all that about Mollie when she read it to her aunt; yet that astute old lady had realized that, for some reason, Ruth was worried over the letter.

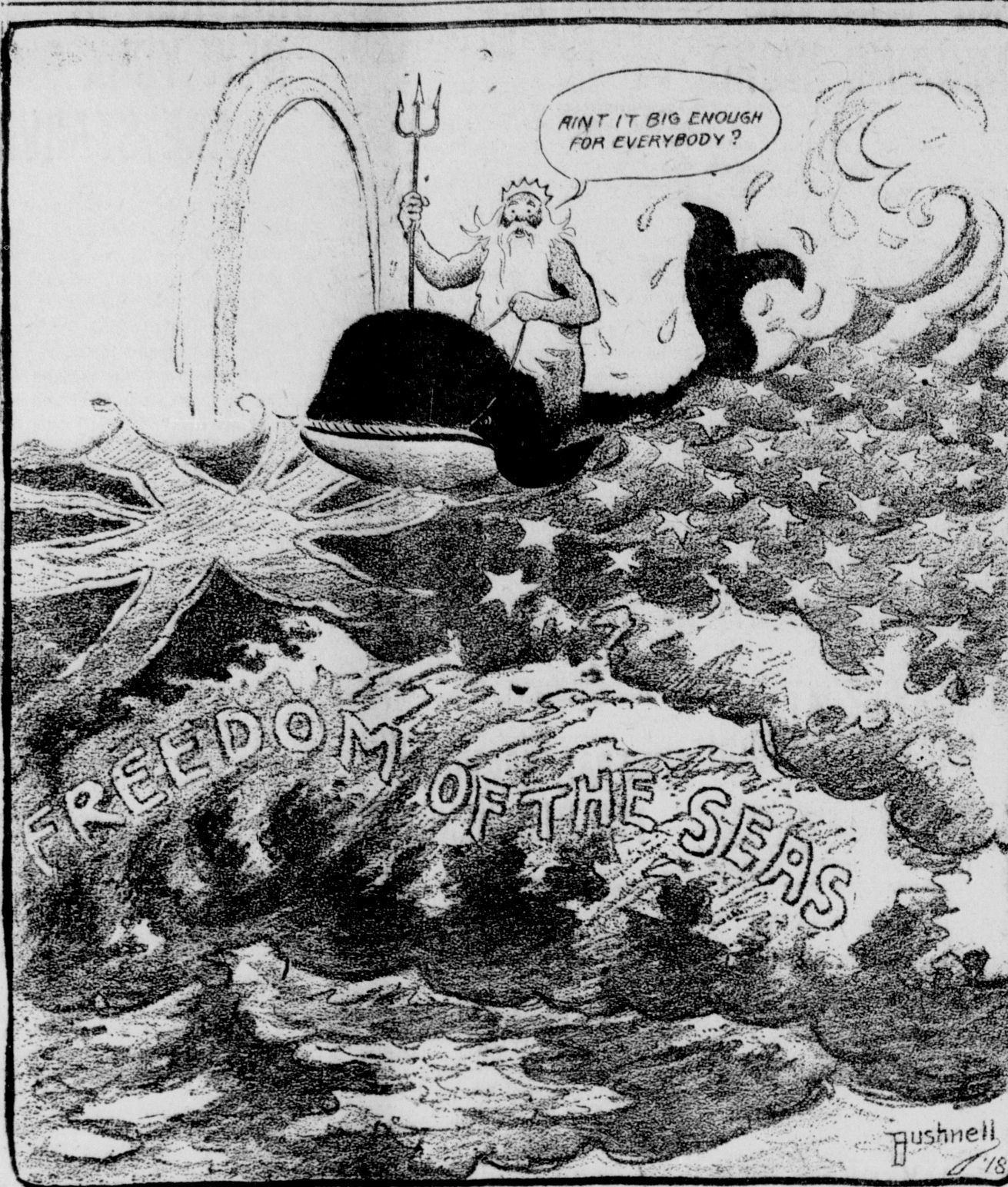
"I could almost wish he wouldn't come back," she murmured, then immediately felt conscience stricken for the thought. Yet she could not understand Ruth. She insisted that she loved Brian, was constantly telling Mrs. Clayborne of this and that lovely thing he had said or done, yet she had not told him of the baby—the child she so passionately loved, and had named for him.

Of course, Mrs. Clayborne had no way of knowing that Ruth had decided—before that letter came—to write Brian about his boy. That she was planning to have a picture taken to send him. But so it was. Ruth had written Brian a long letter, telling of the baby, telling him that she wouldn't worry him before he left—which she knew was not her true reason, but the only one she could think of which would look at all feasible, and which would not hurt him. She could not tell him that, because she knew he spent that last hour with Mollie King, she had kept silence. She would not mention Mollie.

This letter, a long one, had been a hard one to write, and had taken her entire evening. She read it over after receiving the one from Brian; then deliberately tore it into tiny bits.

"He is having such a good time with Mollie King, he won't care about anything that concerns me—or baby," she added, her lip quivering. Little Brian was growing so fast, was such a healthy, happy sort of a

WHAT ARE THE WILD WAVES SAYING?



child, that she longed inexpressibly to share him with Brian, even if only to write to him. She had grieved more than her aunt knew or imagined because she had not told Brian of her condition. Often had she lain awake at night because of her guilty feeling. Now a dull sullen, hatred of Mollie took possession of her, which, added to the jealousy she had so long felt, warped her sense of proportion. tlasty hrrl SE SE SE S ESEEEEE I'll never tell him now! He can have his good times with HER!" ("her" being Mollie). "I will have good times too. I'm through staying at home and moping because I am married. Precious little moping he is doing."

For the time being even the danger to which Brian might any minute be exposed, failed to soften her feelings toward him. That he at almost any minute might be ordered into the trenches, overshadowed by the thought that he was often with Mollie King.

She wished he hadn't told her. Her active imagination had pictured them as together, but there was always a doubt. Now even the comfort of the doubt was taken from her. Hadn't Brian written:

"I see her often. She helps to keep me out of mischief?"

That thought she carried with her constantly. Mandel noticed her abstraction and wondered, but with his

usual tactfulness he said nothing, did nothing, save to make everything as easy and pleasant for her as possible.

Ruth had told him that her aunt wanted her to give up her position and remain at home. She had told it laughingly, as something she would not even consider. Yet it had made Mandel fearful that something might happen to change her mind. He knew that Mrs. Clayborne's wealth made it unnecessary for Ruth to work if her aunt decided to look after her.

He also knew that Mrs. Clayborne thought little of Brian. He knew it instinctively. Neither she nor Ruth had ever hinted that such was the case. Now Brian was away—might never return. What more natural than that she should devote her wealth to those nearest to her?

Tomorrow—Ruth Dwells Upon the Intimacy of Brian and Mollie.

Dead Civilizations.

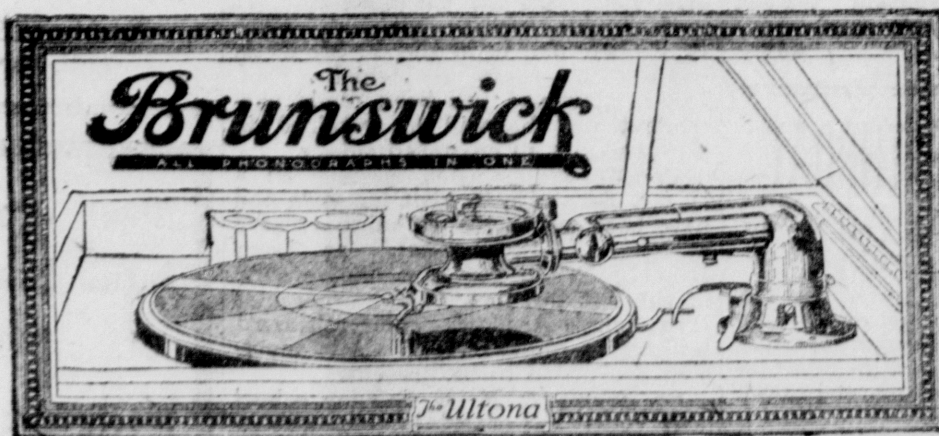
We think ours a wonderful civilization, and it is, in a way, notwithstanding the shadows that rest upon its soul. But there have been civilizations almost, if not quite, as splendid as our own. And they are gone—indeed, so dead that not a tombstone remains to mark the grave.—Christian Herald.

Everyday Etiquette

"Is it considered correct to place the napkin in the water glass when preparing the table for dinner, and on which side of the plate should the napkin be placed?" inquired Mrs. Newlywed.

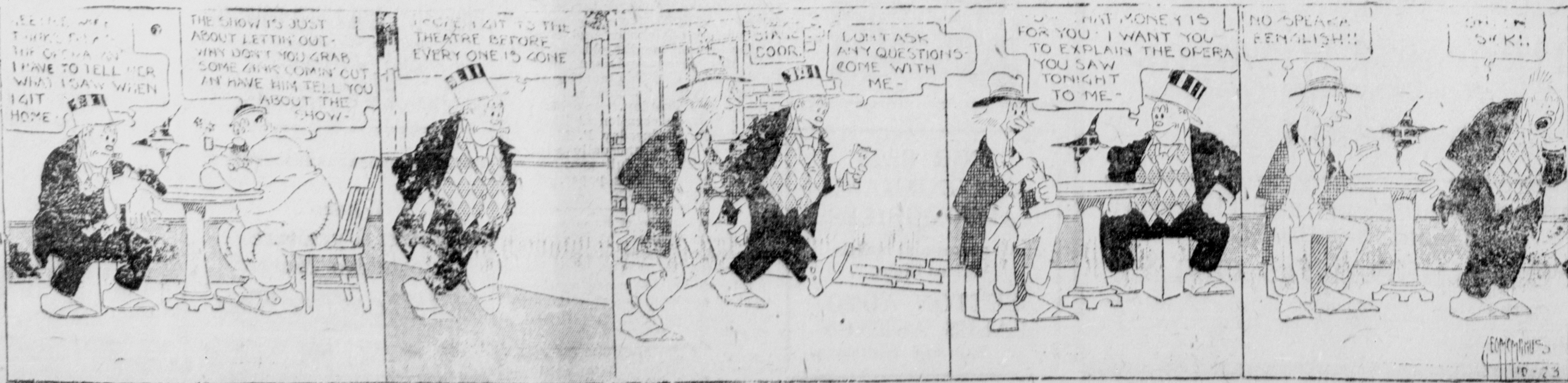
"The napkin should not be placed in the glass, but should be folded in a simple manner and placed on the left side of each plate," said her old friend.

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BRINGING-UP FATHER



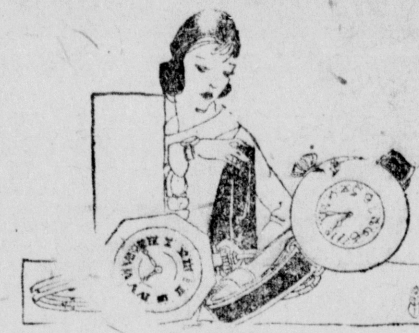
By George McMannan

THE XENIA FERTILIZER COMPANY

Pays the Highest Prices for Dead Stock.

BOTH PHONES 454

THE XENIA FERTILIZER COMPANY,
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THE ONLY REDUCTION PLANT IN GREENE COUNTY



GIFTS

An ideal gift should represent quality rather than quantity, and with

this in mind we have selected a line of gifts that are sure to please.

The success of this store is through the reliable class of goods handled, due to the years of experience in the jewelry, diamond and watch business.

A gift from the CHARTERS' JEWELRY STORE is sure to please as it represents quality.

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THE JEWELER.

Established in 1854.

44 East Main St.

Last Call For a Xmas Suggestion!

HOOSIER KITCHEN CABINET



"Come Right In," Says the Woman With The Hoosier

It's a Joy to Show Her Tidy Kitchen

THE HOOSIER not only saves women hours of time and miles of steps, but keeps their kitchen orderly at all times. All supplies and utensils have their proper place in the HOOSIER. When a woman has finished preparing the meal, it's the work of a very few moments to put everything away. THE HOOSIER saves walking to and fro, bending, stooping, and standing long hours. And remember that this cabinet answers not only some of a woman's needs, but all. And all can afford it, due to our popular payment plan — only a small deposit on delivery—balance in convenient amounts each week.

Come in and select your model while our allotment lasts. When these are gone you will have to join the waiting list.

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FOR SALE

FOR SALE—Pure Rhode Island Red
 cockerels. Raymond Shaw, Lower
 Bellbrook pike. 12-26

FOR SALE—White Plymouth Rock
 cockerels. Citizens 2-828. 12-26

FOR SALE—Three calves, average
 weight 300 lbs. Citizens 21-801. J.
 E. Mason. 12-26

FOR SALE—Twelve head of Poland
 China pigs. J. W. Swadner, Bell
 phone 4023-13. 12-26

FOR SALE—Coal range. Call 114
 Trumbull street. 12-26

DR SALE—One registered immune,
 Duroc male hog, large type. Ralph
 Gilbert, Cedarville, O. 12-24

DR SALE—Good Casady gang plow.
 Cheap. Citizens phone 13-817. 12-20

DR SALE—Male calf five days old.
 Bell phone 4000-11. 12-21

FOR SALE—Barred Plymouth cocker-
 els, 2 M. B. Turkeys. Also an
 acetylene light. Daytonia. Jos.
 T. Hutchison, Bell phone 4030-R-4. 12-24

DR SALE—Oats for seed and feed.
 Also, choice mixed hay. C. J. Pritch-
 ard, Cedarville, 33-121. A. C. Pritchard. 12-27

DR SALE—One D 45 six cylinder
 1917 Buick touring car, new top and
 tires, new battery, newly painted
 and overhauled. This car is as
 good as new. Also one four cylin-
 der Saxon, late model, self starter,
 demountable rims, extra tire, in
 perfect condition. With the Xenia Gar-
 age Co. 12-23

DR SALE—The site occupied by the
 post office at Wilberforce and the
 adjoining building. Rents at present
 at \$120 per year. Fifty feet
 front. First place for boarding
 house. Price reasonable and terms
 to suit. See Chaplain Steward,
 owner. 12-23

DR SALE—Full blooded white Plym-
 outh Rock roosters. 12-23

DR SALE—A modern baby buggy.
 cheap. 621 E. Market st. 12-23

FOR SALE—White Plymouth Rock
 cockerels. Also Poland China male
 hogs. Citizens 2-828. 12-26

FOR SALE—A cylinder Studebaker
 Chummy roadster, 1914 model, start-
 ing, running, good shape. No re-
 sponse after refused. 929-R, Bell,
 or 24 Home ave. 12-23

FOR SALE—Some Duroc male pigs,
 eligible to register. Call Paul Glass,
 Ch. phone 2-815. 12-28

FOR SALE—Turkeys and ducks for
 Xmas. Call Mrs. Frank Rouzong,
 Bell phone. 12-23

FOR SALE—Canary birds, excellent
 singers. Henry Engelking, 229 N.
 West street. 1-12

FOR SALE—Property on Burlington
 pike, 1 1/2 miles out, 4 room house,
 out building, garage, large black-
 smith shop, 1 acre good truck land.
 Good well. Call on G. W. Hull, Xenia,
 Ohio. 12-25

FOR SALE OR RENT—65 acre im-
 proved stock or dairy farm. C. C.
 Turner, Wilberforce, Citizens phone
 2-807 or Bell 4008-R-12. 1-16

FOR SALE—300 bu. fine seed oats. Call
 R. Mangon, Bell 4011-W-4. 12-23

FOR SALE—Single Comb Rhode Island
 Red Cockerels. Mrs. Vortley Lewis,
 Rural 6, Xenia, Ohio. 12-26

FOR SALE—Shropshire ewes, 20 year-
 ling, seven lambs. E. S. Davidson,
 363-W-3 Bell. 12-26

FOR SALE—Non-pareil Barred Plym-
 outh Rock cockerels. Schwab Bros.
 and other leading strains. Special
 prices until Jan. 1st. J. H. Lackey,
 Jamestown, O. Citizens phone 2-70. 12-25

FOR SALE—All kinds of cook stoves,
 wood or coal also gas ranges and
 gasoline stoves. All kinds of house
 repairs. Andy Philson second hand store
 Third street, two doors west of De-
 troit. 1-15

WANTED

WANTED—A good reliable man for
 agent Metropolitan Life Ins. Co.
 Straight salary and commission. See
 F. Barrow, at Grand Hotel. 12-26

WANTED TO BUYHOUSE: 10 to 15
 rooms, suitable for rooming house,
 centrally located. Address K, care
 Gazette. 12-23

WANTED—Reliable representative in
 county to introduce WATER CHAS-
 ER, the new and wonderful water-
 proofing compound. For water proof-
 ing shoes, tents, clothing and auto-
 tops. Address White-VanGosen Co.
 Dept. W, Sidney, Ohio. 12-21

REAL ESTATE

FARM, 840 acres, good improve-
 ments, near Xenia. \$5000. Harb-
 ing, Allen Bldg. Telephone. 1-11

FARM Near Dayton Fraction, 165 acres
 fertile, highly improved. Ideal loca-
 tion. \$57,240. Ask particulars. Box
 157, Xenia, Ohio. 1-10

FARMS For Sale. Good 60 acre farm
 \$7000. Lots of others. Come and see
 me. Harb- ing, Allen Bldg. 1-13

REAL ESTATE and loans; notes
 bought. John Harb- ing, Jr., Allen
 Building, Xenia, O. 8-11

TOM C. LONG—Real estate and insur-
 ance. Will buy or sell your property,
 or loan you money. It will pay you
 to see me. Office 19 South Detroit St.
 Gazette Building. Both phones. 6-11

JOHN W. PRUGH, "The Real Estate
 Man." A. A. buy or sell your property.
 Money to loan. Free estimates of ac-
 cused B. users. A square deal. Of-
 fice No. 4 North Detroit St. Both
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PUBLIC SALES

Have your sale announced FREE
 in this column early, so that you
 may claim your date and others will
 stay away from it. These ads are run
 every day and are gratis with the
 large display advertising. We also
 furnish sale bills without charge.
 Let us tell you about it.

PUBLIC SALE—Dec. 27th at 10:30 a. m.
 at my farm on Fairfield pike, 5 miles
 north of Xenia, three miles east of
 Byron, 1 mile northwest of Old Town,
 7 horses, 8 head cattle, 60 head P. C.
 hogs, feed and grain, chickens, house-
 hold goods and farm implements.
 Mouk & Weikert, Auctioneers. J. E. Sutton,
 Clerk. N. C. GEO. A. BIRCH.

PUBLIC SALE advertising in the Ga-
 zette and Republican brings the
 crowds. In the days of automobiles,
 the farmer has no time to stop along
 the road to make a sale. He is
 coming to depend upon the papers to
 notify him of the sale dates and
 articles to be offered for sale. It's
 the buyer from a distance who sees
 your ad in this paper, who jumps in
 to his auto and hustles to your sale,
 who pays your stuff worth. Your
 neighbor no longer can stand
 around and pick off what he needs
 and an absurd price, as he does when
 you have not properly advertised,
 and gotten a good crowd. Use the
 Gazette and Republican if you want
 the worth of everything you offer.
 Don't try to save on your advertising.

PUBLIC SALE—Dec. 28th, 10:30 a. m.
 at Osborn, my entire contractors
 property, 28 miles, 2 horses, road
 roller, dump wagons, Presnos, plows,
 harness, tents, etc. Mouk & Weikert,
 Auc. N. C. S. M. TANNER.

AUCTIONEERS

Who conduct Public Sales in
 and around Greene county:

Harry Kennon, Cedarville, O.
 C. Meade, Springfield, O.
 Titus Bros., So. Charleston, O.

Wm. Miller, D. Cedarville, O.
 Wm. Mills, New Burlington, O.
 R. R. Grieve, Xenia, O.

Koogler Bros., R. 7, Xenia
 S. Baker, R. D. Cedarville, O.
 W. F. Smith, Davies Bldg., Dayton

Carl Taylor, R. D. Jamestown
 Harry Smith, R. D. Cedarville, O.
 Robert Corry, Yellow Springs, O.

C. A. Hanes, R. 7, Xenia
 Lester Houpp, R. 8, Dayton
 Jess Stanley, R. D. Waynesville

W. Sears, Waynesville
 C. T. Hawke, Waynesville
 A. A. McNeal, Centerville, O.

Frank Morrow, R. D. Jamestown.
 E. C. Sessler, Jamestown, O.
 John H. Wright, Bellbrook, O.

Allison Bros., R. 3, Cedarville, O.

MISCELLANEOUS

JOHN H. WRIGHT, General auctioneer.
 Sales conducted to meet the owners
 highest approval. Call Bell phone
 1-23 Bellbrook, O. 1-20

BLACKSMITHING—M. L. Blanton, rear
 E. in Xenia. Repairing, shoeing,
 shoeing \$1.00, \$1.50, \$2.00. 12-24

CEDARVILLE Cottage of three rooms
 for rent. \$5.00 monthly. Harb-
 ing, Allen Building. 12-23

STOVES, Furniture, Overcoat, Harness,
 Sewing machine, for sale. John Har-
 bing, Allen Building. 1-8

NOTICE TO FARMERS—I am prepared
 to do butchering on your farms, cat-
 tie and hogs. Ernest Truesdale, Ce-
 darville, Home phone 129. 12-24

FOR RENT—Delivery Car, like new,
 \$350. John Harb- ing, Allen Bldg.
 Telephone. 12-21

GASOLINE ENGINES for sale. New
 H. P. \$70. John Harb- ing, Allen
 Bldg. 1-3

GOOD second hand heavy and light
 work harness. John Harb- ing, Allen
 Bldg. 1-3

FISHBACK'S New and Second-Hand
 Store, 635, 637, 638 E. Main. Buy
 and sell clothes, stoves, Furniture,
 Cider, etc. Citizens phone G-234.

DEAD STOCK WANTED—We will pay
 positively the highest prices. Prompt
 attention given to all calls. The
 George Spencer Fertilizer Co. Bell
 471-R. Citizens 20. 8-24-11

FOR RENT

FOR RENT—Furnished cottage, 339 E.
 3rd st. Call 204 E. 3rd st. Bell
 phone 69-W. 12-23

LOST AND FOUND

LOST—Shepherd dog, Sable collar with
 white markings. Wag No. 2002.
 Finder call Oliver Jobe, Xenia, both
 phones. 12-21

LOST—Black pocket book with \$11.11,
 and two keys. Also some church en-
 velopes, on first floor of stannery
 of Johnnie, on factory. Leave with
 Mr. Boxwell. 12-21

State of Ohio, Insurance Department, Col-
 umbus, May 25, 1918. The Superintendent
 of the State of Ohio, do hereby certify that
 the American Central Insurance Company,
 of St. Louis, in the State of Missouri,
 has complied in all respects with the
 laws of this State, applicable to it,
 and is authorized during the current year
 to transact in this State its appropriate
 business of insuring property against loss
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"CHRISTMAS GIFT."

Have times changed, or have you and I changed? Don't you remember, when we were young what fun it was, on Christmas morning, to "catch" each other by being first to cry "Christmas gift?" How we would avoid being "caught" by dodging hither and yon, and springing on the other fellow? Why it was as good as playing blind man's buff after supper. But possibly, this was mostly among the young folks—for youth is the gay and pleasant spring of life, when joy is stirring in the dancing blood.

And, don't you remember when we were young, how simple seemed the means to satisfy us in the way of Christmas gift—the ginger-cake horse, the twisted doughnuts and perhaps an orange. These would not figure largely with the youth of today, when a diamond ring or a wrist watch are very common affairs. But times have changed—and some of us are back numbers.

This brings us to the general subject of Christmas gifts. Come to think of it—did you ever think of it—the significance of giving presents on Christmas? Perhaps it is primarily based on Paul's expression alluding to the first Christmas, "Thanks be unto God for His unspeakable gift." And incidentally to the act of the wise men, who had seen his star in the East and following it came to Bethlehem, in the land of Judea, "and when they were come into the house, they saw the young child with Mary, his mother, and fell down and worshipped him; and when they had opened their treasures, they presented him gifts, gold and frankincense, and myrrh."

At all events this is good enough authority for glad some hearts to follow—so that in giving presents on Christmas we are symbolizing a double thanksgiving, one of gratitude to God for the gift of His only begotten son for the redemption of a lost world, and another of love to our friends because we want them to know our esteem for them by these remembrances.

Some of these friends may be far away. You realize how many people are thinking and remembering their absent loved ones when you stand in line at the post office parcel post window to get yours off for perhaps Florida or California. And how much of love is wrapped in the package, no one knows, but the giver and receiver. Precious moments these to the two—and who knows which has the most joy, she who gives or she who receives.

And how much the world is indebted for that first "unspeakable gift." To it the world owes for every church, every Sunday school, every hospital and every asylum, every missionary society, every impulse of every man to be a "neighbor" to his fellow man in time of need. Today, from the lips of Christ the call comes to all in behalf of the needy, "inasmuch as ye have done it unto the least of these ye have done it unto me." No man is to be the judge in this case, but God and your own conscience.

GIVING DAYS.

A young business man and his wife who have just given \$8,000 to the Centenary cause in Syracuse, had just managed a few years ago, to save \$1,500, which they planned to use for the purchase of an automobile.

One night a foreign missionary spoke at their church, pointing out the need of funds to carry on the great work which he described. The young husband and wife gave their hard-earned savings of \$1,500 to the cause of missionary work. The following week a big feed concern announced that it would give a \$2,000 automobile as a prize to the salesman or dealer who sold the most carloads of their feed during the season. It is not hard for the reader to guess who won this prize.

Shortly afterward the pastor of his church asked him if he ever regretted the sacrifice of that \$1,500.

"Most certainly not," was the answer. "I believe that if I hadn't given that \$1,500 I never would have owned a \$2,000 auto nor had the satisfaction of knowing that there was one more church in China. I am just as sure that I wouldn't have won the prize without the Lord's help. I never was lucky anyway—until then."

PATRIOTIC BREWERS!

Mr. Percy Andrae, agent of the brewers, has testified how the Ohio organization kept three sets of envelopes addressed to 150,000 supporters in order to do quick work in case of necessity for political or business reasons. The foreign-language press has been kept busy by brewery money. Some English dailies have run editorials written by brewery agents and received pay for the space. Miss I. T. Martin, while being employed by the brewers at \$300 per month, succeeded through hypocrisy in getting herself elected secretary of a prohibition conference of Catholics in New York and destroyed their records which were hurtful to the brewers' influence over that backward church. Because Mr. H. P. Heinz was elected president of the Pennsylvania Sabbath School Association at a convention which also passed a temperance resolution, his "fifty-seven varieties" were ordered boycotted by circulars sent through the mails of thousands of wet consumers. Business men dealing with brewers had to buy a special kind of stamp from them, the sale of which amounted to \$136,194.01, within eight months, a neat sum spent to buy negro votes and pay for wet agitators in labor unions!

"THE WIFE"

BY JANE PHELPS

BRIAN'S LETTER DISTURBS RUTH.

CHAPTER CXXI.

"Dear Ruth," Brian had written. "I was delighted to receive your letter. Keep your aunt with you. She will be company for you, and keep you from getting lonely. It's great to be over here, Ruth—great to be able to fight for the country you love. And the women are wonderful! I realize it more every day. Mollie King is here, doing nursing. I see her often. It helps to keep me out of mischief. One has much idle time, just now, but later when I get into the fighting line, I shan't find time dragging. I can scarcely wait. It is too bad you couldn't have come over with me. But of course that would have meant giving up your position, even if wives were allowed—which they are not."

There was much more, but Ruth scarcely knew what she was reading. "Mollie King is here, doing nursing. I see her often. It helps to keep me out of mischief." Those short sentences which told so little, yet, to Ruth, implied so much, she read over and over.

"He sees her often. SHE keeps him out of mischief," Ruth muttered aloud. Then: "What mischief could he get into half as bad as being with her?"

Really Ruth was enormously miserable over that letter. She had skipped all that about Mollie when she read it to her aunt; yet that astute old lady had realized that, for some reason, Ruth was worried over the letter.

"I could almost wish he wouldn't come back," she murmured, then immediately felt conscience-stricken for the thought. Yet she could not understand Ruth. She insisted that she loved Brian, was constantly telling Mrs. Clayborne of this and that lovely thing he had said or done, yet she had not told him of the baby—the child she so passionately loved, and had named for him.

Of course, Mrs. Clayborne had no way of knowing that Ruth had decided—before that letter came—to write Brian about his boy. That she was planning to have a picture taken to send him. But so it was. Ruth had written Brian a long letter, telling of the baby, telling him that she wouldn't worry him before he left—which she knew was not her true reason, but the only one she could think of which would look at all feasible, and which would not hurt him. She could not tell him that, because she knew he spent that last hour with Mollie King, she had kept silence. She would not mention Mollie.

This letter, a long one, had been a hard one to write, and had taken her entire evening. She read it over after receiving the one from Brian; then deliberately tore it into tiny bits.

"He is having such a good time with Mollie King, he won't care about anything that concerns me—or baby," she added, her lip quivering. Little Brian was growing so fast, was such a healthy, happy sort of a

child, that she longed inexpressibly to share him with Brian, even if only to write to him. She had grieved more than her aunt knew or imagined because she had not told Brian of her condition. Often had she lain awake at night because of her guilty feeling. Now a dull sullen, hatred of Mollie took possession of her, which, added to the jealousy she had so long felt, warped her sense of proportion. tlasty hrld SE SE SE S ESEEEEE

I'll never tell him now! He can have his good times with HER!" ("her" being Mollie). "I will have good times too. I'm through staying at home and moping because I am married. Precious little moping he is doing."

For the time being even the danger to which Brian might any minute be exposed, failed to soften her feelings toward him. That he at almost any minute might be ordered into the trenches, passed completely from her mind, overshadowed by the thought that he was often with Mollie King.

She wished he hadn't told her. Her active imagination had pictured them as together, but there was always a doubt. Now even the comfort of the doubt was taken from her. Hadn't Brian written:

"I see her often. She helps to keep me out of mischief?"

That thought she carried with her constantly. Mandel noticed her abstraction and wondered, but with his

usual tactfulness he said nothing, did nothing, save to make everything as easy and pleasant for her as possible.

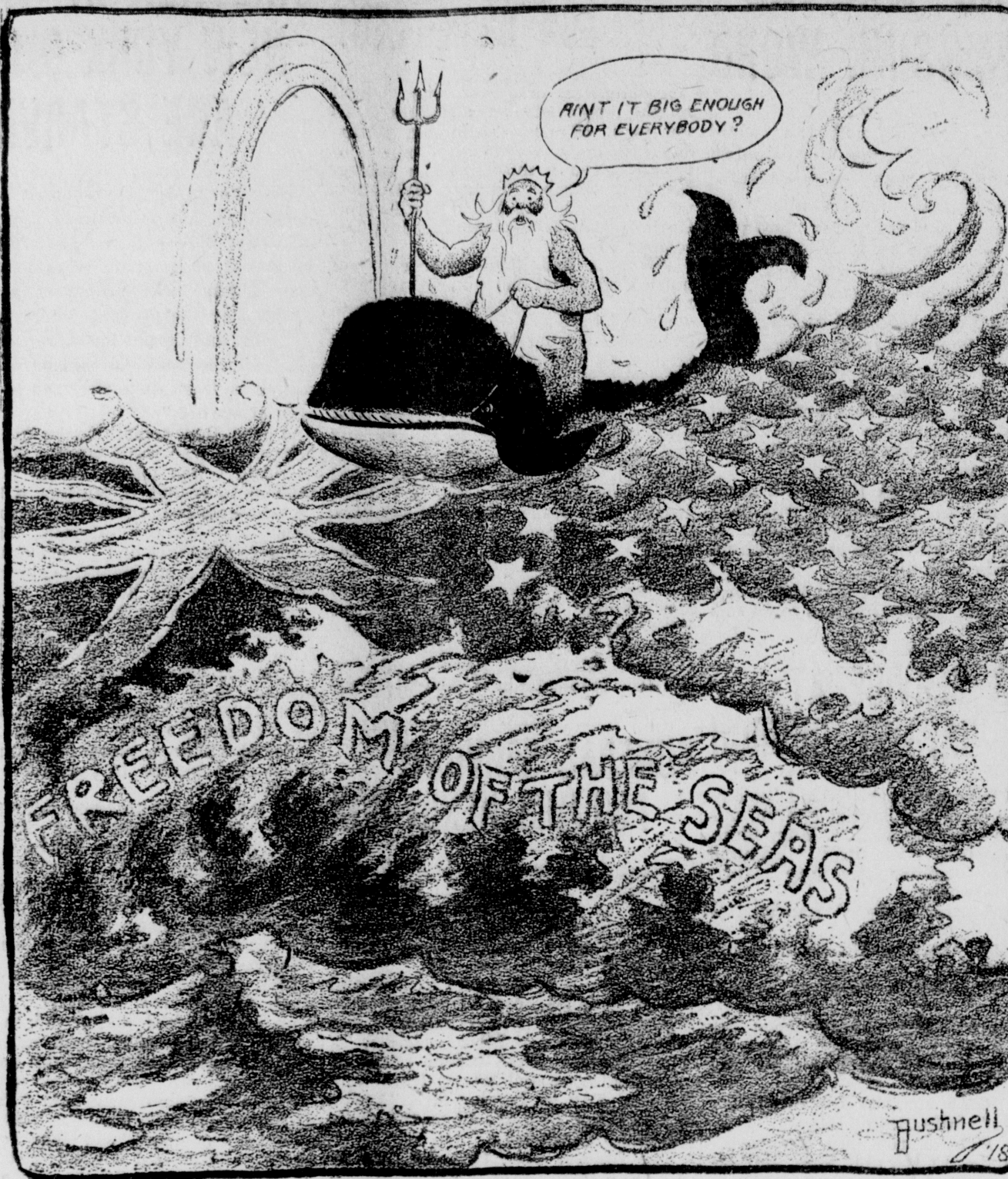
Ruth had told him that her aunt wanted her to give up her position and remain at home. She had told it, laughingly, as something she would not even consider. Yet it had made Mandel fearful that something might happen to change her mind. He knew that Mrs. Clayborne's wealth made it unnecessary for Ruth to work if her aunt decided to look after her.

He also knew that Mrs. Clayborne thought little of Brian. He knew it instinctively. Neither she nor Ruth had ever hinted that such was the case. Now Brian was away—might never return. What more natural than that she should devote her wealth to those nearest to her?

Tomorrow—Ruth Dwells Upon the Intimacy of Brian and Mollie.

Dead Civilizations.
We think ours a wonderful civilization, and it is, in a way, notwithstanding the shadows that rest upon its soul. But there have been civilizations almost, if not quite, as splendid as our own. And they are gone—indeed, so dead that not a tombstone remains to mark the grave.—Christian Herald.

WHAT ARE THE WILD WAVES SAYING?

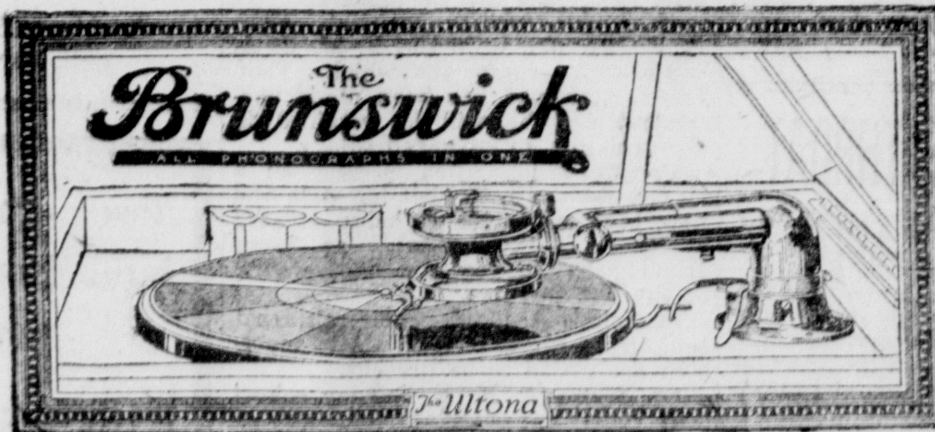


Everyday Etiquette

"Is it considered correct to place the napkin in the water glass when preparing the table for dinner, and on which side of the plate should the napkin be placed?" inquired Mrs. Newlywed.

"The napkin should not be placed in the glass, but should be folded in a simple manner and placed on the left side of each plate," said her old friend.

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Come in and select your model while our allotment lasts. When these are gone you will have to join the waiting list.

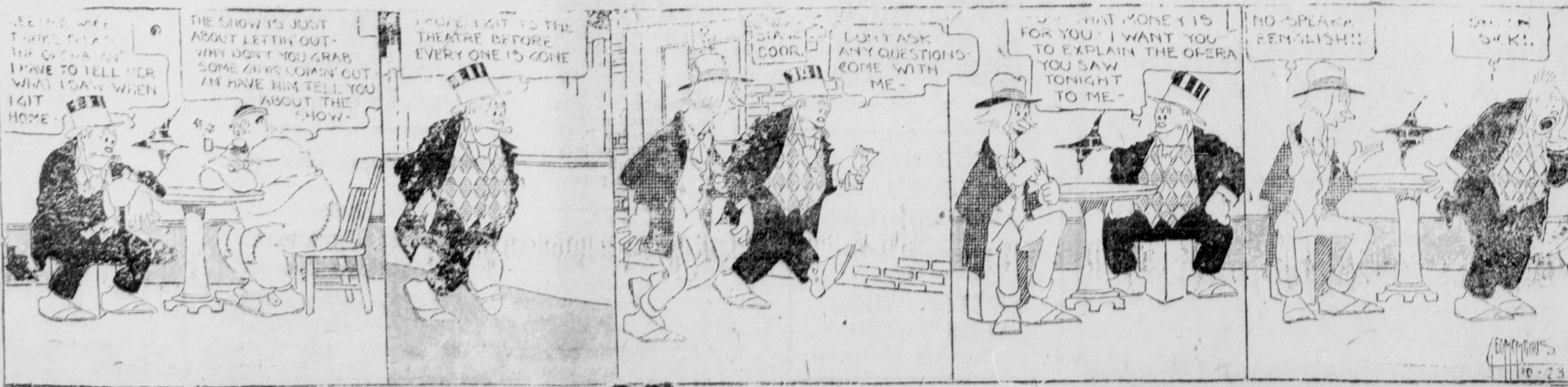
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—RENEW YOUR RED CROSS MEMBERSHIP—

FOR QUICK RESULTS USE WANT ADS

BRINGING-UP FATHER

By George McMannan



RECENT TESTS SHOW THE CITY WATER IS PURE

Recent tests made by the State Board of Health at the request of the city officials show the city water is now entirely pure following treatment.

The treatment of the water, which will be necessary as long as the present supply at the Springfield station is used, is being done under instructions from the State Board of Health, and is proving entirely satisfactory.

Until the water company is able to install a liquid chlorine plant, the old system of purifying the water with

bleaching powder will be used. The State Board of Health has supplied the Water Company with equipment to test the bleaching powder, to determine whether or not it contains the full amount of chlorine necessary.

The recent trouble with the water resulted from a poor supply of bleaching powder, which contained less than one-fifth of the amount of chlorine necessary to purify the water.

A little later a liquid chlorine plant will be installed and this will be used until a new supply of water can be developed, in accordance with the demand of the State Board of Health.

In the meantime, the people of Xenia can rest assured that the water supplied them is pure.

Early Declines.

If the truth could be discovered, probably it would be found that one reason why a woman lives longer than a man is because she doesn't pay any attention to statistics.—Dallas News.

RED CROSS AIDS THE CZECHO-SLAVS

Vladivostok, Nov. 19.—(By Mail) —Czech-Slovak soldiers in Siberia have learned of the arrival here of articles of warm clothing by the tens of thousands—the gift of the American Red Cross.

An American transport unloaded 75,000 sweaters, 250,000 pairs of socks, the cloth for 50,000 overcoats and other garments.

And within a week—two American Red Cross sanitary trains were streaming out of Vladivostok to far away Omsk, bearing part of the supplies. After delivering the clothing, the trains will be used to transport wounded soldiers from the fighting line to hospitals to be opened at Omsk, Chelabinsk and Irkutsk.

Each train had 23 cars, including one fitted up as an operating room and another as a dentists' office. On each train were 6 physicians, a dentist, 6 American Red Cross nurses, 76 orderlies and stretcher bearers, besides pharmacists, operating room assistants and cobblers.

The American Red Cross has made good in Vladivostok and is starting along the same lines elsewhere in Siberia. The efficiency of the Red Cross workers wins the respect of the Russians and Czechs while hearts are won by Sister Patterson, Sister Chrapovitsky and other nurses. Miss Patterson's brother is flag lieutenant on the Brooklyn, so all call her sister.

CIVIL WAR VETERAN ANSWERS LAST CALL

S. H. Browder, aged 78, a prominent farmer and civil war veteran, died at his home between Jamestown and Jeffersonville, Sunday evening.

Mr. Browder was prominent in G. A. R. circles, and was officer of the day of McClellan Post, at Jamestown, when he died. He served in the Sixtieth regiment, army of the Potomac, and had a splendid army record. He is survived by his widow and several children.

Diamond Not Most Valuable.

It is a popular error to suppose that the diamond is the most valuable of the precious stones. The relative value of the finer gems places the ruby at the head of the list; the diamond second, and, following this, the sapphire. It is a very common occurrence to find a perfect diamond, but a perfect ruby is rare.

Mrs. Austin's Pancake Flour is fine—ready in a jiffy. Great big package for 25c.

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Tuesday you can buy as much as \$2.50 worth for one dollar

Boys' Shoes, sizes 10 to 13 1-2, button, \$1.75 values for per pair \$1.00
Ladies' velvet shoes, sizes 2 1-2 to 5, \$2.50 values pair \$1.00
5 pairs of children's 25c hose, sizes 6 to 9 1-2 for \$1.00
White Blankets, \$1.49 quality, each \$1.00
3 yards of plaid dress goods or gingham, 49c quality \$1.00
Boys' Knee Pants, \$1.50 quality for \$1.00
4 yards of 1 yard wide Flannelette for \$1.00
7 yards apron Gingham for \$1.00
4 yards of Amoskeag Gingham, 35c quality for \$1.00
5 yards of Kikin Cloth, 30c quality \$1.00
5 yards Linen Crash toweling, 25c quality for \$1.00
4 yards Cretonne or Silkolene 35c quality for \$1.00
Men's Flannel Shirts, \$1.49 quality \$1.00
1 pair overalls for \$1.74 and next pair for \$1.00
1 pair Men's Pants for \$2.49 and next pair for \$1.00
8 yards light Calico for \$1.00
5 yards light Percale \$1.00
5 pair men's heavy Sox \$1.00
3 pairs men's Wool hose, 50c quality for \$1.00
One lot of Ladies Coats and Suits at each \$1.00
6 yards Bleached Muslin \$1.00
\$1.00 off on all Ladies' Suits and Coats.
4 yards of heavy fleeced goods for kimonos or wrappers \$1
2 yards of table linen, 64c quality \$1.00

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Meat Platters, \$9.50 value, special \$6.95
Hickory Steak Plank, \$7.00 value, special \$4.95
Chocolate Sets, four piece, \$10 value, special \$5.95
Chocolate Sets, four piece, \$7.50 value, special \$4.95
Mayonnaise Set, \$5.50 Value, Special \$3.98
Sandwich Trays \$3.00, \$3.75, \$4.00

TRAVELING CASES—ONE-THIRD OFF Traveling Cases with Ivory Fittings, also Ivory Toilet Cases SPECIAL—ONE-THIRD OFF

ELECTRIC CANDLE STICKS ONE-THIRD OFF

Electric Candle Sticks complete with shade, Desk Set, Brass Ash Trays, Cut Glass and Etchel Candle Sticks.
SPECIAL—ONE-THIRD OFF

Gift Furs

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Black Coney Scarfs, very special \$6.75

—First Floor, West Aisle—

Animal Scarfs in Black Fox, Taupe Fox, Poirer Fox, Black Lynx and Wolf \$6.75 to 42.50

Stoles and Capes in Hudson Seal, Moleine and Coney. at \$12.50 to \$50.00

Muffs in the new Canteen shapes in Hudson Seal Fox, Nutria \$5.95 to \$35.00

Children's fur sets in white Angora, \$2.95

Children's Fur Sets in Natural and Brown Coney at \$2.50 to \$5.95

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MAHOGANY—ONE-HALF OFF

Mahogany Nut Bowls, Comb and Brush Trays, Picture Frames, Sewing Boxes.

SPECIAL—ONE-HALF OFF

IVORY—ONE-THIRD OFF

Ivory Clocks, Picture Frames, Napkin Rings, Tooth Powder Boxes, Shoe Horns, Cuticle Knives.

SPECIAL—ONE-THIRD OFF

PYREX—ONE-THIRD OFF

Pyrex Ramekins, Custard Cups, Casseroles, Bread and Cake pans, Pudding Dishes, Guernseyware in Brown and white.

SPECIAL—ONE-THIRD OFF

UNDERWEAR OF CREPE DE CHINE

Camisoles of Satin and Crepe de Chine embroidery, lace and ribbon trimmed \$1.00 to \$1.95
Envelope Chemise of Crepe de Chine, lace and ribbon trimmed \$1.95 to \$3.50
Gowns of Crepe de Chine, lace and ribbon trimmed at \$5.00, \$6.75
Kaysers Silk Vests in flesh \$2.59, \$3.00
Porto Rican Embroidered Gowns and Chemise, Hand Sewn and Hand Embroidered \$2.95 to \$3.95

BATH ROBES AND KIMONAS

Bath Robes in Navajo and Fancy Satin Trimmed models at \$4.50 to \$6.75
Corduroy Robes in wide wale Corduroy in Copen and rose \$3.50 to \$6.75
Silk Kimonas in Satin, Crepe de Chine and Oriental Silks \$5.95 to \$10.00

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Not only is it more nutritious than any of the so-called "breakfast foods" but it is also much cheaper.

What is better or more easy to digest than bread and milk or a slice of golden brown toast, spread with butter?

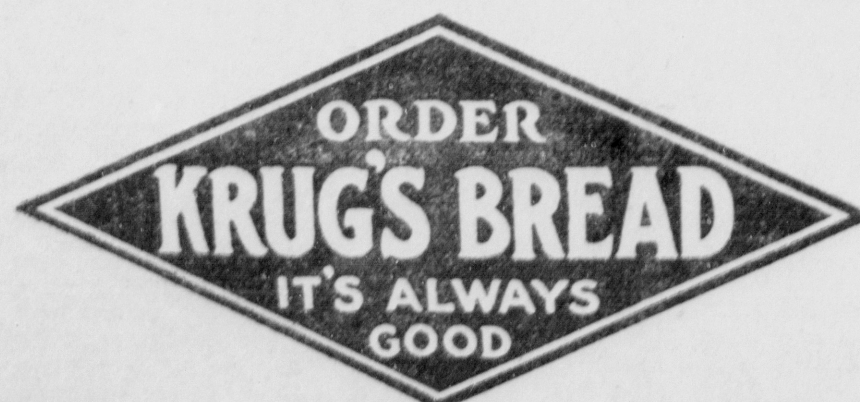
In fact there is nothing that can take the place of bread—provided it is good bread.

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You'll find it so tasty and delicious.



XMAS CONCERT AT TRINITY IS GREATLY ENJOYED

A real Christmas concert of the highest order was given at Trinity Methodist church, Sunday afternoon. The program consisted of a procession by the choir, the members of the choir bearing lighted candles which were received at the altar of the church by four little girls in white who placed the candles in the three large brass candlesticks on the table within the altar, the choir standing at the altar and singing a beautiful Christmas hymn, Christmas anthems, hymns, choruses, solos and instrumental numbers. The large choir of select voices was under the direction of Mrs. W. H. McGervey, who for a number of years has led the choir of Trinity church with such distinction as to make the musical events of that church an attraction to the entire community. Miss Stella Bishop presided at the organ and the piano with the ease, charm and skill of an artist. Mr. Marcus Shoup, Jr., added excellence to the instrumental music by his masterful interpretations on the violin. Mrs. H. B. Thompson sang with wonderful spirit and beauty. Miss Henrietta Logan with her usual inspiring joy, so appropriate in acclaiming the new-born King, Miss Cleenna Barrows with a most delicate sweetness, appropriately interpreting her part, and Mr. Leigh Bickett in a low, rich tenor of uplifting power, these four doing the solo work of the program. The entire program, rendered by the choir as a whole, was one of delightful Christmas spirit and religious impressiveness. By special request of a number of those present at the regular morning service, when Mrs. McGervey sang with great inspiration, "The Americans Come," she was asked to repeat it at the conclusion of the afternoon's program, which she did, eliciting the applause of the large audience which packed the church to its utmost capacity.

"Nemeses."

Nemeses was a goddess of justice and divine retribution. The word comes from a Greek verb meaning to dent out, distribute, dispense. In Greek mythology Nemeses was a goddess personifying allotment, or the divine distribution to every man of his precise share of fortune, good and bad. It was her special function to see that the proper proportion of individual prosperity was preserved, and that anyone who became too prosperous or was too much uplifted by his prosperity should be reduced or punished.

GOOD HOUSEKEEPERS USE BEST.
That's why they use Red Cross Ball Blue. All leading grocers, 6 cents.

SHOT GUN USED BY CLEVELAND POLICE

Cleveland, Dec. 22.—A score of automobiles, laden with police and American Protective League operatives, armed with repeating rifles and shot guns, patrolled the streets Saturday night in an effort to put an end to the crime wave that is sweeping over the city.

The machines were station at every police precinct in the city and shortly after dark began tour of their respective districts, with orders to "shoot to kill" if necessary.

This action was taken by police as the result of a week of crime in which auto bandits, hold-up men and burglars netted more than \$5,000 in their activities, shot and killed one saloon keeper, wounded another, shot two patrolmen, one perhaps fatally, held up and robbed 27 persons on the streets and burglarized 11 homes.

CLYDE SESSLAR DIES AFTER LONG ILLNESS

Clyde Sessler, 27 years of age, died at his home on the Hite road, near Jamestown, Sunday, after an illness of several years' duration from diabetes.

He is survived by his widow, his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ross Sessler, three sisters, Misses Mary and Opal at home, and Mrs. Golda Harper, of Octa, and a brother, Vernon. Funeral services will be held at the home Tuesday at 2 o'clock, conducted by Rev. Moore, of Bowersville. Interment in Jamestown.

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If taken regularly, Hood's Sarsaparilla before meals, Pepton after meals, and Hood's Pills at night as needed, they are reasonably sure to keep a family in health and prove to be reliable and always ready friends. They purify the blood, build up strength and regulate the system.

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HEARD FROM OUR SOLDIERS AND SAILORS

Private Harold Whitt, son of S. J. Whitt, of this city, and a member of the 37th division, now in Belgium, has written interestingly from there. The first letter was dated November 13.

"Now that peace is practically declared and every one is happy, I will write you a letter and tell you how happy I am. Home seems closer now than it has for a long time, but I suppose we will have to stay over here awhile, until everything is settled. We would gladly start today, if we were only permitted, because we have seen all of this country that we want. We have made drives in France, then we came to Belgium, and hiked all over the country, and made a big drive, and we started to make another when we heard that the armistice was on. My, we were a happy bunch. There wasn't any demonstration, but on each man's face was a happy look and everyone was asking if it could be true. It was officially confirmed, so there was no room for disbelief.

The Belgians are all returning home and the roads are covered with oxcarts loaded with furniture. Dog carts and hand carts are the same way. These dog carts are the limit. I have to laugh every time I see one. They take a little dog that looks like he could carry a pound, and hitch him up to a big two-wheeled cart. Then the driver hops in and away they go. I think I'll have a dog and cart if I don't get that Ford pretty soon, cause I am going to be a regular devil on wheels for one month after I come home, or maybe I'll be so tickled to be home that you won't be able to drive me out of the kitchen. I know you won't if there

is anything good to eat lying around loose.

"We are billeted in an old Belgian woman's house and she sure treats us fine. She keeps us warm and gives us bread and coffee, washes our mess kits and treats us fine. It is just like home.

"Received Paul's picture and I wrote on it, 'lucky dude,' but I look like that one of these days.

"You should see my little French cane and a mustache. Well, here's hoping we'll be able to enjoy February in the states."

In a letter written November 24, he says:

"Well, dad, this is your Christmas present, so I will write you a nice, long letter, and tell you all about our travels through France and Belgium. We landed at Brest France, on the 5th day of July, 1918. We stayed there three days and there I got my first taste of France. I thought it was great to be in a foreign country, and no one was happier than I. We entrained at Brest and took a three day train to Chaumont la Ville, France. That was a pretty nice little burg, and there was plenty of wine for sale. But not for me. I can't drink wine. And say, dad, I thought it was the most fun in the world to talk to those French girls.

"Well, we ditched our barracks bags there, and started travelling on 'Shank's pony.' Dad, I bet you a dollar to a hole in a doughnut that I have hiked 500 miles since I hit this country. We hiked from one dirt-hole to another, until we landed in Pettonville, France. There we took over the Alsace-Lorraine sector, or a part of it, around Baccarat and Nancy. We held this sector for a month or more. We got quite a bit of shell-fire and Boche airplanes bothered us some, but we held our own with them. Regimental headquarters was four miles behind the lines and I had to make the trip at least three times a day. I had a bicycle, of course, but it got tiresome riding back and forth so much. One day we got some big news. We were going to make a big drive in the near future. Well, we hiked and hiked and hiked and landed in a big woods. We pitched pup tents and you will hardly believe me when I say that our kitchens didn't catch up with us for three days. Talk about a hungry bunch! We could have eaten anything. We went as far as to ask the 'frogs' for cats. That is our nickname for Frenchmen. Well, we stayed in the woods for a week, and one day the news spread, 'we go over the top at 5:30 in the morning.' At one o'clock the big guns opened up. Dad, you can't imagine what a fearful sound they make. That barrage of course cost a \$1,000,000 every five minutes. We went over the top at 5:30 on the morning of September 26. The fog was so thick that you couldn't see through it, and the Dutch machine gun fire was something awful. I will give you the details when I get home. On Oct. 1, I was gassed and sent to the hospital. I was released in a week and rejoined my outfit. After fearful hiking we landed in the St. Mihiel sector and held that for a week. Our first drive was made in Verdun, in the Argonne forest.

"After St. Mihiel, we hiked to a rail head and entrained for Belgium. On Oct. 30 we landed in Olsene, Belgium, and on the 31st we started another drive and going over the top was no joke at all this time. The Dutch put up a counter barrage and tore things up pretty lively for awhile. The sky was clear full of flares and rockets. I can't express my thoughts in words for the sight and noise was appalling. Shells were landing all around us and I expected to be among the missing any moment, but we kept going on through and everything went lovely. I captured two prisoners and got a machine gun that day. That made me pretty happy. That night we stayed in a hay stack and that was the safest place in the whole country though.

"All the next morning we had easy sledding all the way to the river. But when we hit the river, well, we got hell. We finally got over the river on a little log. Got the whole battalion over. Lots of them fell in the river, but that didn't stop us a minute. After crossing the river we dug, and say, talk about shells. The Dutch must have known the war was nearly over and wanted to use up all their extra ammunition, so they wouldn't have to take it to Berlin with them.

"The afternoon of the day we were relieved Boche planes bombed and machine gunned us. I prayed as I never prayed before that day. Why the ground was rocking like a cradle. We were to be relieved by a French division at 6:00 o'clock. At 5:30 the Germans launched a counter attack on us and took a few prisoners, but our men chased them back with machine guns. We got out all right and hiked that night to Thielt, Belgium. We heard that the Dutch captured a whole French company just after we were relieved. We were relieved the fifth of November. After enjoying ourselves in Thielt for three days we packed up and went to Anwegen, Belgium, to start another drive, but that drive was never pulled off. It would have been a bird, too, for they hauled tanks and armored cars all day long to the front. We had our combat packs made and expected to get up at 3:30 a. m., and start trouble. Imagine my surprise when I awoke and the sun was shining brightly and everything was still. Along comes a 'frog' and hollers to me: 'Comrade, Le guerre finis.' He kept on shouting and I was sure he was drunk. Then the sergeant major came over and said: 'Boys, the armistice was signed this morning.' Instead of yelling like fools the boys were silent and talked quietly among themselves. I believe they all offered a silent prayer to the Lord. We stayed in Anwegen three days. From there we hiked to within eight

miles of Brussels and had to turn around and come back to Denze. Thus endeth the chapter.

"We were billeted in a flax mill last night and about 11 o'clock some fool fellows upset a candle and I happened to be right above it. That flax burned like powder. I was up about 14 feet and jumped clear to the ground. Everything I had burned up and I almost got burned myself. That would be awful after dodging shells for so long. And those poor people living in terror of the shells at the while and at last get their business ruined by Americans. They made an inquiry to-day and I was one of the chief witnesses. I am sitting now in a house

that is nice and warm and the nicest people live here. It seems like home. They kept a fire for us all night and I think I'll be able to sleep very good tonight.

"We are preparing to return to France and the chaplain says that we will be home by January. I am not a betting man, dad, but I did bet 25 francs that we would be in the United States by January 1, 1919. I have lost half my voice but it will be better by the time I get home. Too much gas on the last drive."

Young Whitt's address is: "J. H. Whitt, Third Bn, Headquarters, 148th Inf., 37th Div., American Forces, A. P. O., 763."

According to latest information received from the 37th, the division was leaving for Le Mans on the way home and it may be possible that the local boy will win his bet yet.

Don't wait until a cold and the grip have a firm hold. Take Lane's cold and grip tablets as soon as you feel a cold coming on. Neglect is dangerous and often spells pneumonia. Keep a package handy for emergency. Results are guaranteed. Sold by druggists everywhere.

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Missing Word Contest Page

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Educational Missing Word Contest.

Return Answer Blank

The Missing Word for the 9th week, December 23, 1918.

Was found by (Full Name)

..... (Town and R. R.)

The word was and should appear

in advertisement

between words and

Fill out this blank with answer. Cut out and return to Gazette-Republican office, Xenia, O, not later than the following Saturday at 5 p. m.

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We still have a large stock to select from in both trimmed and untrimmed hats. Specially Priced for this week.

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For a real tailor made suit or overcoat see

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DO YOUR XMAS BUYING NOW

A Merry Christmas

How much more this Greeting means this year than it did twelve months ago. Then we were in the midst of the horrors of a world war and Peace seemed to be very far away. NOW the end of the war is in sight, the dove of peace has descended on the earth and PEACE ON EARTH, GOOD WILL TOWARD MEN becomes a reality. You wish to be Happy this Yule Tide, but you can't be 100 per cent HAPPY unless you are also HEALTHY. CHIROPRACTIC will help you to be HEALTHY so that you can really enjoy your Christmas. If you have any doubts at all as to your Health make assurance doubly sure and call on your Chiropractor.

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Xenia, Ohio

Missing Word Contest Page

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Can You Find It?
\$50

CONDITIONS—In one of these advertisements on these pages, a word is missing. To be a winner you are to find this word and the advertisement from which it is omitted, and between what words it should be inserted. A new word will be omitted each Monday and may be omitted from the same advertisement more than once. The contest will continue for 12 weeks, to be run once a week only, every Monday.

The person finding all or the most of the correct words will be given \$25. The second \$15, the third \$5 and five \$1 prizes will be awarded to the next five highest.

The missing word this week commences with "I" and ends with "E."

All answers must be filed at the Gazette-Republican office not later than the following Saturday at 5 p. m.

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BOTH PHONES 144.

Ruined

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UNLESS HIS TEETH MEASURES UP.
If it is important for a man to be a soldier that way, it is just as important that you be physically fit for any other duty in life. GOOD SOUND TEETH MEAN TO YOU GOOD HEALTH—A GOOD APPEARANCE AND A LONG AND HAPPY LIFE. As a Leader in His Profession in Dayton, Ohio, is

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IS THE OLD RELIABLE. Always can be depended on. Never fails. When you get SINGER'S you get the best. Why not make wife a Christmas gift of one. Come and see us.

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We put these "drips,"—large and small, together, and loan the money to some one to buy a home.

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Hamlin's Wizard Oil a Reliable, Antiseptic Preventive

During influenza epidemics spray the nose and throat several times a day with one part Wizard Oil and two parts water, using an atomizer. If you haven't an atomizer, gargle the throat and sniff the mixture up the nose. This treatment sets up an antiseptic wall of defense against "flu" germs.

Chest colds and sore throat lead to grip. Stop them at once with Wizard Oil before they can develop into dangerous influenza.

Get it from druggists for 30c. If not satisfied, return the bottle and get your money back.

Ever constipated or have sick headache? Just try Wizard Liver Wipes, pleasant little pink pills, 30c at druggists. Guaranteed.

WOMEN LEARN HOW EASY ARE JOBS OF MEN

London, Dec. 6 (By Mail).—"Everywhere you go nowadays you find women," growled the "city man" after the girl ticket inspector in the train had insisted on seeing his season ticket. "It's going to be awful bad for them, and as for us men, our lives will never be the same again, though peace is here."

"Yes, piped up his next-door neighbor. "It certainly is getting intolerable. Why, even my luncheon place, a real old-English chop-house, has

been invaded by them; they used not to allow women inside their doors." The women present smiled. They knew why the men were so fussed. Those women had husbands of their own—husbands who came home demanding huge dinners. "Nothing to eat all day," "Grinding at work in the office since I left the house first thing this morning," etc., etc. That was how it used to be.

The war has sent men to the trenches and their wives out to work in the city—and women have pierced the ancient sham.

The "business strain" of the man who was something-in-the-city has proved a real cure for his wife. That little restaurant where he complained he only got "snacks" has showed his wife the reason her dinners, prepared with so much care in "the good old days," were sometimes almost untouched and often criticized.

If the bus conductor of the future returns home "dog tired" and peevish, he will be told by Mrs. Ex-Conductor how she, too, had trying days, when she had to work on the busses, keep a home going, and look after the children.

Women have learned a lot about their menfolk during these years of war. But if they realized what a comfortable existence those men folk had before the war they also realize just how much it meant to give it all up to go and do their bit, and the great majority of women will be only too eager to return to their ministrations and heap on their hero husbands every comfort a loving heart can devise. So, after all, the men will not be any worse off for having been "discovered," but women will have fewer delusions and there should be a better understanding.

SOCIAL SERVICE LEAGUE SUGGESTS THINGS TO DO XMAS

If you are looking for opportunities for Christmas kindness, the Social Service league have the following to offer:

No. 1—A little mother, recently bereaved by the death of her husband, has three small children to support. She is forced to work away from home and hires a woman to care for the children during her absence. After paying her housekeeper she has but few dollars left from her small wage. She will find it difficult to provide enough food and coal during the winter.

No. 2—There are eight in this family. The husband, operated on a few months ago, went to work in less than a month after operation. The mother has done housecleaning, washing and what ever she can do. Looks on verge of a breakdown. Six children under 12 years of age. The father and mother are both working to the breaking point and food, coal and clothing are greatly needed.

No. 3—A woman left with five little children. Husband died a few weeks ago from "flu." Mother in delicate condition with no means of support.

CALIFORNIA IS GOING INTO GAME OF MANUFACTURING

California is to become a manufacturing state. Already having won laurels in agriculture, horticulture and live stock, her people are determined now upon establishing a manufacturing record. During the war, the state has acquitted itself even beyond the expectation of its greatest optimists in the production of food and other raw materials.

Now to avail themselves of the vast producing tracts of land, the farmers and county boards are offering attractive inducements for manufacturing plants.

A canvass of the producing power and the manufacturing plants to make use of more products has been made by the Home Industry League of California from its central office in San Francisco.

The facts revealed show free sites, bonuses ranging from five hundred to fifteen thousand dollars; some communities will pay five per cent of the first year's salaries of a representative plant. Free water, the best transportation and a pledge of sufficient and competent help are also among the inducements.

The factories desired all of which of course, will be located in close proximity to the output of raw products, include paper mills and the manufacture of paper boxes, pickle factories, canning plants, fig and orange marmalade factories, fruit by-products, tanneries, overall factories, dairy products, chicken canning plants, bean canneries, shoe factories, knitting mills, woolen mills, hemp factories, raisin and vinegar works and many others.

A few facts regarding greater California by Edward H. Brown, head of the Home Industry League are:

California has produced apples, prunes, dried and citrus fruits, lima and other beans enough this year to furnish the entire army and navy food rations with some left over for the Allies.

It has been shorn clean of all its products for eastern and foreign markets to such a degree as to make extensive farming of hitherto idle lands a necessity.

California is already absorbing much of the trade that hitherto went to foreign countries.

For instance, copra, the dried coconut formerly shipped to Germany and is now shipped to San Francisco by rail where in the San Francisco bay it is converted by four factories into soap, glycerine and the residuum used for feed for livestock.

WOOD SHIPS ARE HANGING IN BALANCE

Jacksonville, Fla., Dec. 23. — Shipyards in the Fourth district, United States shipping board, wood ship production branch, comprising the states of Florida, Georgia, North Carolina and South Carolina, are now on a big drive which will determine the shipbuilding future in this section.

With official announcement from Chairman Edward N. Hurley, of the Shipping Board, that the future for shipbuilding absolutely depended upon the efficiency shown by the various yards, before them, officials are "weeding out" men not producing.

Now that the emergency need for bottoms has been relieved to some extent, it is pointed out that unless yards in the southeast can show that it is more economical to build wooden ships than composite or steel vessels, yard more accessible to iron mines possibly may be favored in the future. Whether wooden ships will be built

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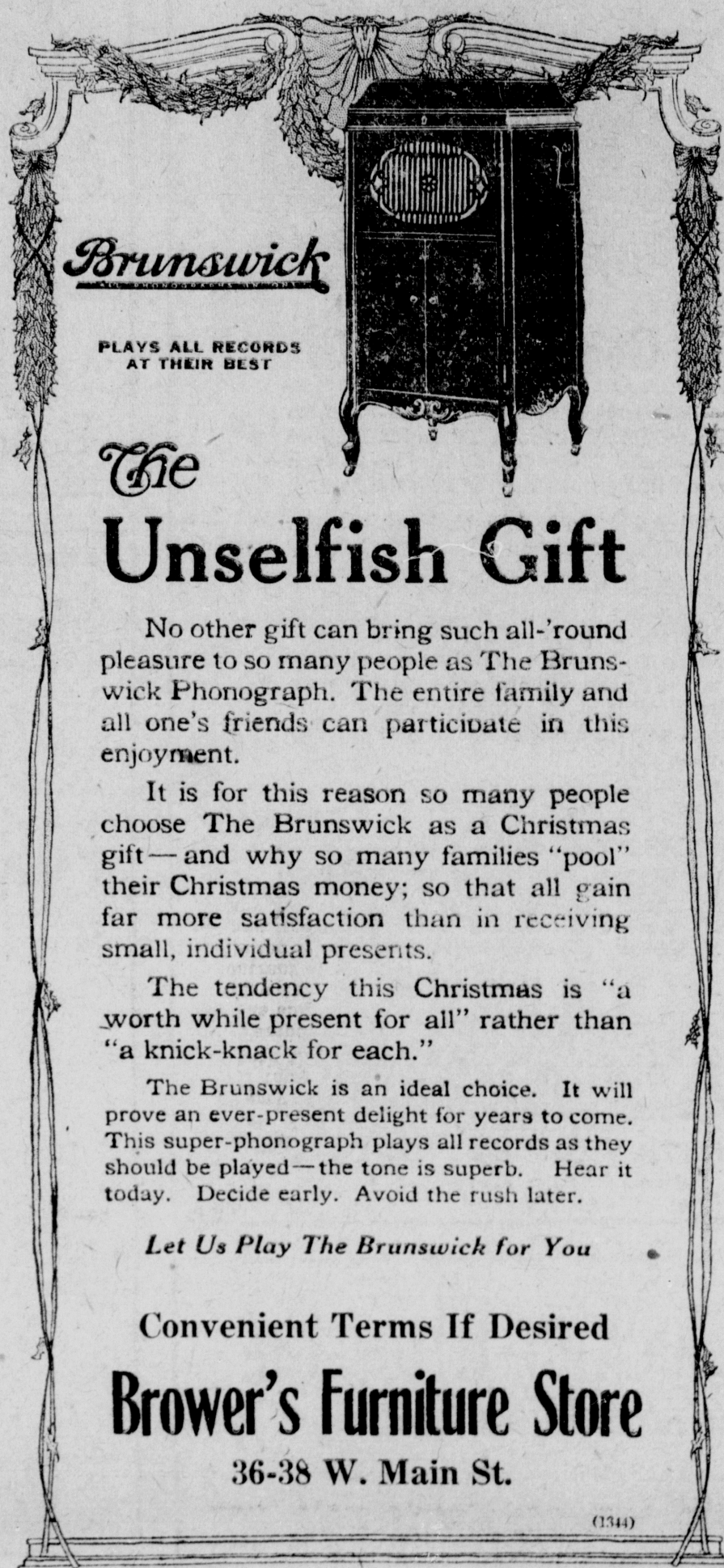
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in this district after the hulls now under construction are completed is not known. It was unofficially announced sometime ago that a number of "pet" yards would be eliminated from the shipping board's program. To date, however, only a few contracts have been cancelled.

There are 9 yards in the Fourth district constructing wooden ships. The first keel was laid August 31, 1917, by the American Shipbuilding corporation, Brunswick, Ga. Since then 23 ships have been launched—an approximate total of 80,500 tons.

Jacksonville has 4 yards under the shipping board—the Merrill-Stevens Shipbuilding corporation, St. John's River Ship Yard company, J. M. Murdock Shipbuilding company and the Morey-Thomas Shipbuilding company.

Two other yards here are building ships for private firms.

Savannah has had two yards—the National Shipbuilding company and the Terry Shipbuilding corporation. Both of these concerns are under contract with the shipping board.

At Tampa, the Tampa Lock company has shipping board contracts. Brunswick, Ga., has two yards under contract with the shipping board—the United States Maritime corporation and the American Shipbuilding company.

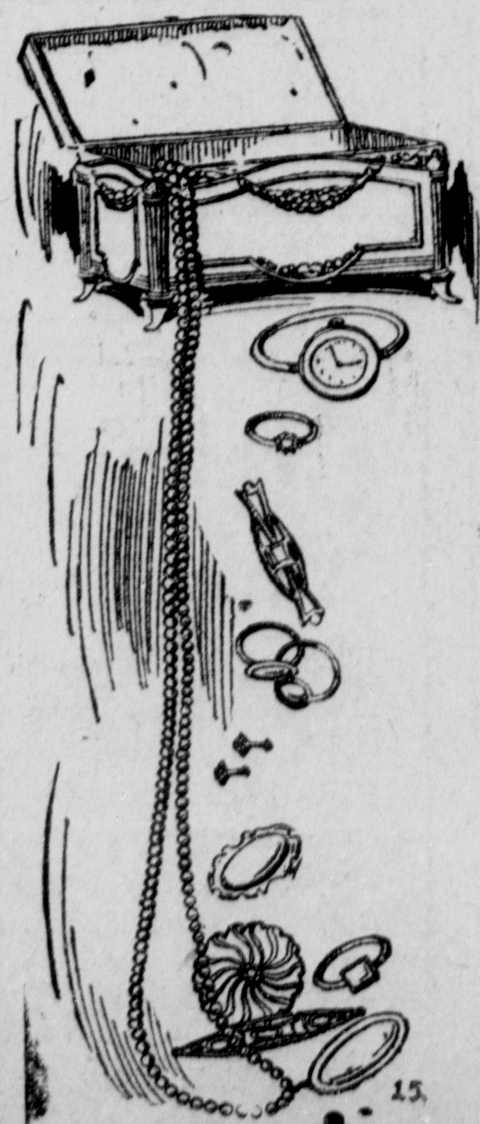
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